

U.S. Department of Justice

Washington, DC 20530

**Supplemental Statement****Pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended**For Six Month Period Ending 01/31/2013

(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No.

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2438

- (c) Business Address(es) of Registrant

1001 Fourth Ave, Suite 2328  
Seattle, WA 98154

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following?

- (a) If an individual:

(1) Residence address(es)	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(2) Citizenship	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
(3) Occupation	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>

- (b) If an organization:

(1) Name	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(2) Ownership or control	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(3) Branch offices	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

- (c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in Items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C
- <sup>1</sup>
- , state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.

Yes ☐ No ☒If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (A waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, National Security Division, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name

Position

Date Connection Ended

(b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name

Residence Address

Citizenship

Position

Date Assumed

5. (a) Has any person named in Item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal?

Yes ☐No ☒

If yes, identify each such person and describe the service rendered.

(b) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes ☐ No ☒

Name

Residence Address

Citizenship

Position

Date Assumed

(c) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name

Position or Connection

Date Terminated

(d) Have any employees or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their connection with any foreign principal during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name

Position or Connection

Foreign Principal

Date Terminated

6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(b) of the supplemental statement?

Yes ☒No ☐

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

**II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL**

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal

Date of Termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name and Address of Foreign Principal(s)

Date Acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principal(s)<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

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10. (a) Have you filed exhibits for the newly acquired foreign principal(s), if any, listed in Item 8?

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes ☐ No ☐

Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

- (b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, please attach the required amendment.

<sup>2</sup> The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)

<sup>3</sup> The Exhibit A, which is filed on Form NSD-3 (Formerly CRM-157) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.

<sup>4</sup> The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form NSD-4 (Formerly CRM-155) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

**III - ACTIVITIES**

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, identify each foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

See Attachment A, named, "Calendar of Activities" for all short-form registrants' activities

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits your foreign principal(s)? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, describe fully.

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<sup>5</sup> The term "political activity" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

**IV. FINANCIAL INFORMATION****14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies.<sup>6</sup>

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
8/6/2012	Honda of Kirkland	Car Lease Overpayment Refund	23.92
8/13/2012	Kobe Municipal Gov't	Office Budget Quarterly Deposit	38,732.84
11/30/2012	Kobe Municipal Gov't	55th Anniversary Expense Reimbursement	3,378.15
12/20/2012	Kobe Municipal Gov't	Dec/Jan Budget Deposit	17,541.19

\$59,676.10

Total

**(b) RECEIPTS - FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fundraising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes ☐ No ☐

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_

**(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Foreign Principal	Date Received	Thing of Value	Purpose
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6, 7 A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, moneys, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fundraising campaign. (See Rule 201(e)).

8 An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fundraising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

9 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

**15. (a) DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement? Yes ☐ No ☐(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal? Yes ☐ No ☐

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
	See Attachment B, called, "Disbursement of Monies" for a detailed report of transactions		

\$71,345.53

Total

**(b) DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, or 9 of this statement?

Yes ☒ No ☐

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Recipient	Foreign Principal	Thing of Value	Purpose
12/5/2012	Travel Agent participants for JNTO's Japan Showcase in Chicago	Kobe Municipal Gov't	Personalized Pens	To promote the city of Kobe

**(c) DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or Thing of Value	Political Organization or Candidate	Location of Event
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<sup>10, 11</sup> Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

**V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS**

16. (a) During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials?<sup>12</sup>

Yes ☒ No ☐

If Yes, go to Item 17.

(b) If you answered No to Item 16(a), do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration?

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes, please forward the materials disseminated during the six month period to the Registration Unit for review.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

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18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes ☐ No ☒

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- ☐ Radio or TV broadcasts ☒ Magazine or newspaper ☐ Motion picture films ☐ Letters or telegrams  
☐ Advertising campaigns ☐ Press releases ☒ Pamphlets or other publications ☐ Lectures or speeches  
☒ Other (specify) Presentations to participants at JNTO's Japan Showcase event in Chicago on 12/5/2012

**Electronic Communications**

☒ Email

☒ Website URL(s): http://www.cityofkobe.org

☒ Social media websites URL(s): https://www.facebook.com/cityofkobe

☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- ☐ Public officials ☐ Newspapers ☐ Libraries  
☐ Legislators ☐ Editors ☐ Educational institutions  
☐ Government agencies ☐ Civic groups or associations ☐ Nationality groups  
☒ Other (specify) travel agents and suppliers

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

☒ English ☒ Other (specify) Japanese (website only)

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes ☒ No ☐

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act?

Yes ☒ No ☐

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.



**VI - EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

(Print or type name under each signature or provide electronic signature<sup>13</sup>)

February 11, 2013

/s/ Masao Kakiuchi

eSigned

<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

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AUGUST 2012 to JANUARY 2013  
CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR:  
Masao Kakiuchi  
Laura Hoak-Kagey

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START DATE	START TIME	END TIME	DESCRIPTION
8/1/2012	9:00AM	12:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi went to Sea-Tac airport to see off the Kobe International Trade Union members.
8/16/2012	1:00PM	2:00PM	Daniel Winters of JTB visited KTIO to discuss tourism in Japan.
8/28/2012	3:30PM	5:00PM	Terry Nakano and the new Japanese Community Queen, Yuna Nishimoto, paid a courtesy call to Mr. Kakiuchi at KTIO.
9/10/2012	9:30AM	10:15AM	Mr. Masahi Hashikura of the Kobe International Center for Cooperation and Communication paid a courtesy call to KTIO.
9/13/2012	5:00PM	7:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended Seattle City's Business Casual event at the Renaissance Hotel in Seattle, focusing on international trade.
9/18/2012	2:00PM	2:45PM	Lance Randall of the Office of Economic Development (City of Seattle) came to KTIO for a meeting to discuss a Kobe restaurant possibly expanding business to Seattle.
10/2/2012	3:00PM	4:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi visited Hyogo Business and Cultural Center to discuss their internship program.
10/5/2012	1:00PM	2:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the Everett-Iwakuni Sister City 50th Anniversary celebrations at Everett Community College.
10/15/2012	1:30PM	2:10PM	Dr. Kazuko Ishigaki (Ishikawa Prefectural Nursing University) and Dr. Katsuko Kanagawa (Kobe City College of Nursing) paid a courtesy call to Mr. Kakiuchi at KTIO.
10/31/2012	10:30AM	11:30AM	Mr. Tatsuo Uemura (Urban Planning and Housing Bureau, City of Kobe, Japan) paid a courtesy call to Mr. Kakiuchi at KTIO.
11/11/2012	5:30PM	9:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the Frank Piasecki and Other Polish Aviation Designers event at the Museum of Flight, Seattle, WA.
11/14/2012	3:30PM	5:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended a discussion at the University of Washington entitled, "Focus on Japan: Regional Dynamics in East Asia."
12/2/2012	8:37AM	2:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi and Laura departed Seattle for Chicago via Alaska Airlines flight 20.
12/4/2012	9:00AM	1:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi and Laura attended the Japan Showcase in Chicago and give presentations about Kobe.
12/4/2012	8:40PM	11:05PM	Mr. Kakiuchi returned to Seattle from Chicago via American Airlines flight 1377.
12/5/2012	12:00PM	2:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the Japanese Emperor's Birthday Celebration at the Consulate-General of Japan in Seattle.
12/5/2012	7:45PM	10:20PM	Laura returned to Seattle from Chicago via Alaska Airlines Flight 23.

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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES FOR:  
Masao Kakiuchi  
Laura Hoak-KageyATTACHMENT A  
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START DATE	START TIME	END TIME	DESCRIPTION
12/11/2012	10:30AM	11:00AM	Takao Terada and Eiji Tsujimura of Yamato Transport paid KTIO a year-end courtesy call.
12/19/2012	4:00PM	5:00PM	Tsuneko Nakatani of New York Life paid Mr. Kakiuchi a courtesy call at KTIO.
1/7/2013	9:00AM	12:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the event, "Future of U.S.-Japan Technology Collaboration" at Seattle-Tacoma International Airport.
1/7/2013	4:05PM	5:00PM	Mr. Toshiro Okada, Ms. Keiko Nasu, and Mr. Kenji Sato from the JETRO San Francisco office paid a courtesy call to Mr. Kakiuchi at KTIO.
1/17/2013	12:00PM	2:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the New Year's Reception at the Consulate-General of Japan residence in Seattle.
1/23/2012	6:00PM	8:00PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the lecture, "What to Expect in Asia--Economic Outlook for 2013" at the offices of David Wright Tremaine LLP in Seattle.
1/25/2012	5:00PM	6:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the Japan Business Association's Annual Meeting in Bellevue, WA.
1/29/2012	1:00PM	2:15PM	Mr. Kakiuchi went to the Hyogo Business and Cultural Center to plan logistics for the Seattle Golf and Travel Show in February.
1/30/2012	10:30AM	12:00PM	Mr. Nobuhito Koya came to KTIO to discuss his international business coordination company and possibilities for Kobe.
1/31/2013	5:30PM	7:30PM	Mr. Kakiuchi attended the Trade Development Alliance of Greater Seattle's The Schmoose 2013 networking event at City University in Seattle.

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Disbursement of Monies

Attachment B  
1Summary Report  
8/1/2012 through 1/31/2013

<u>Expense Categories</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>Category Totals</u>
<b>Office Expenses</b>		
Rent	\$16,062.29	
Operating (consumables)	\$3,397.63	
Office Equipment/Software	\$258.99	
Communication	\$2,533.74	
<b>Total Office Expenses</b>		\$22,252.65
<b>Personnel</b>		
Tax	\$6,014.51	
Housing	\$3,015.20	
Insurance	\$2,025.74	
Retirement	\$1,691.69	
Salary	\$17,127.91	
Regional Transport Pass	\$756.00	
<b>Total Personnel</b>		\$30,631.05
<b>Project</b>		
Travel	\$3,686.50	
Memberships/Subscriptions	\$1,265.00	
Company Car Maintenance & Misc.	\$6,998.07	
Business Meetings/Conferences	\$6,449.26	
Advertising	\$63.00	
<b>Total Project</b>		\$18,461.83
<b>Grand Total</b>		\$71,345.53

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Date	Description	Memo	Category	Amount
8/6/2012	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co	0030 / 88051272075 - Aug 2012	Personnel:Retirement	-241.67
8/6/2012	Masao Kakiuchi	Historical Photos	Projects:55th Anniversary	-16.36
		Driver's License	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-27
8/6/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Aug 1-15, 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,206.07
8/6/2012	Deposit	Honda of Kirkland Refund	Car Expenses & Maintenance	23.92
8/6/2012	FARA Filing Fee	Justice Report - Aug 2012	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-305
8/7/2012	SAM	ID#80652 / 2012 - 2013	Office Expenses (Business):Memberships - Subscriptions	-200
8/9/2012	EFTPS	Social Security		-301.6
		Medicare		-84.12
		Federal Tax		-324
8/21/2012	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Sept 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-244
8/21/2012	Business Card	Driver's License Fee	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-22.00
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-47.68
		Hyatt Hotel Reception	Projects:55th Anniversary	-3,307.00
		Glass Case Rental	Projects:55th Anniversary	-1,752.00
		Office Supplies	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-83.71
		Microphone Rental	Projects:55th Anniversary	-109.5
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-49.15
		Koko Bridal Fee	Projects:55th Anniversary	-1,280.76
		Seatac Parking	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-3
		Gas	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-52.85
8/23/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		2 Books of Stamps	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-18
		Mail to Japan (Ms. Yagi)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-6.43
		Express Mail to Kobe	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-43.85
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Correction Tape, Scissors	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-12.57
8/24/2012	Verizon Wireless	Aug 7- Sept 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-185.83
8/24/2012	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura Dental Sept 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
		Kakiuchi Dental Sept 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
8/29/2012	CenturyLink	206-Z22-0101 / Sept 2012	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-331.44
8/29/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Aug 16-31, 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,206.07
8/29/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 2012 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
8/29/2012	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co	0030 / 88051272075 - Sept 2012	Personnel:Retirement	-241.67
8/29/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Sept 2012 Rent - Suite 2328	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,672.68
8/29/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Sept 2012 Parking - Suite 2328	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
8/29/2012	The Mercer	Sept 2012 Rent for #502	Personnel:Housing	-1,507.60
8/29/2012	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Sepot 2012	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-448.74
<b>Total Month Ending 8/31/2012</b>				<b>-16,935.25</b>

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9/5/2012	PIP Printing	Business Cards (Inv #21473)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-191.34
9/14/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 1-15, 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,206.07
9/14/2012	EFTPS	Social Security	Personnel:Insurance	-301.6
		Medicare	Personnel:Insurance	-84.12
		Federal Tax	Personnel:Insurance	-324
9/14/2012	FedEx	Acct #2439-2042-6	Projects:55th Anniversary	-561.04
9/18/2012	Verizon Wireless	Sept 7- Oct 6 #06464222662-0001	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-128.61
9/27/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Oct 2012 Rent - Suite 2328	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2,672.68
9/27/2012	NOP-1001 4th LLC	Oct 2012 Parking - Suite 2328	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-333.67
9/27/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Sept 16-30, 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,206.07
9/27/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Oct 2012 Train Pass	Personnel:Train Pass	-126
9/27/2012	The Mercer	Oct 2012 Rent for #502	Personnel:Housing	-1,507.60
9/27/2012	Laura Hoak-Kagey	Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2.49
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Lamp, 3-Way Lightbulb	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-30.58
		Sugar	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2.19
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
		Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
9/27/2012	American Honda Finance Corp	#102714956 - Oct 2012	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-448.74
9/27/2012	Northwest Employers Trust	Laura Dental Oct 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
		Kakiuchi Dental Oct 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-68.63
9/27/2012	Vanguard Fiduciary Trust Co 0030	0030 / 88051272075 - Oct 2012	Personnel:Retirement	-241.67
9/27/2012	Fed Ex	Inv #1-101-32821/act#243920426	Projects:55th Anniversary	-280.52
9/27/2012	Good To Go!	Toll Notice #TB-121408709	Car Expenses & Maintenance	-10.26
9/28/2012	Regence Blueshield	ID#110147217 Oct 2012	Personnel:Insurance	-273

Total Month Ending 9/30/2012

-10,081.45

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10/4/2012 CenturyLink	206-Z22-0101 / Oct 2012	Office Expenses (Business):Communication	-236.17
10/12/2012 North American Post	2013 New Year's Greeting	Advertising (Business)	-63
10/12/2012 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Coffee Filters, Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-7.78
	Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-1.99
	Green Tea, Hoji-cha	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-13.35
	Cert. Mail (Qtrly Taxes)	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-2.95
	Coffee, Milk	Office Expenses (Business):Operating	-7.98
10/13/2012 Laura Hoak-Kagey	Oct 1-15, 2012	Personnel:Salary	-1,206.07
10/15/2012 Employment Security Department	Qtrly Rpt ES254272000/910741102	Personnel:Tax	-15.43
10/15/2012 Labor & Industries	3rd Quarter #320,225-00	Personnel:Tax	-61.82
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-9,851.93



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# Feel KOBE

Romantic City







## Kitano Foreigners' Residences

北野異人館

Many early foreign settlers to Kobe took up residences in Kitano, an area overlooking the ocean. Some of their old western-style houses still exist and are open to the public. The Weathercock House, with its symbol, the weathercock, over its delta roof, and the Moegi House, which was built as a residence for the US Consulate General in 1903, are two of the most famous foreigners' residences in Kitano.



## Old Foreign Settlement

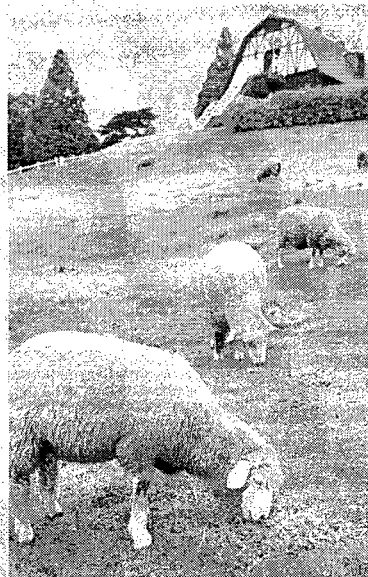
旧居留地

The Old Foreign Settlement was developed as a business district for foreigners when the Port of Kobe opened in 1868. Old western-style buildings made of brick and stones that are now used as restaurants and other shopping and office buildings in the area give its streets a European look.



## Welcome to the sophisticated city of Kobe.

An international tourism city in Japan, blessed with modern and historic flavors.



## Mt. Rokko

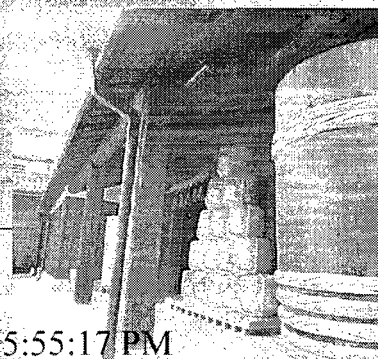
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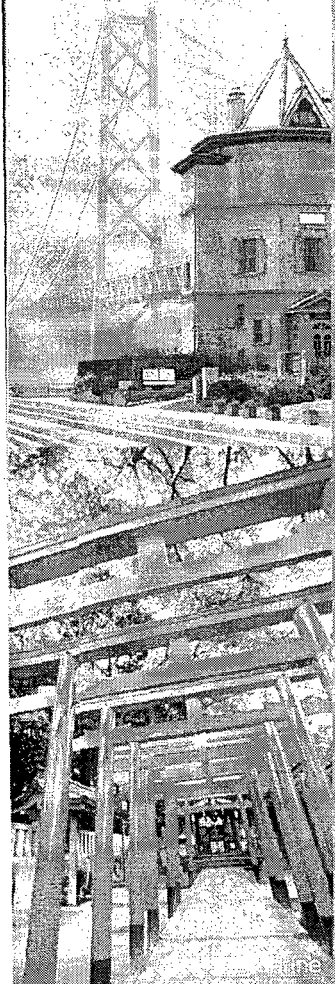
Only half an hour from the city center and offering beautiful nature throughout the year is Mt. Rokko, standing 931 meters high. In addition to the panoramic view of Kobe and Osaka from the mountain top, there are many attractions in the area such as the Rokko Garden Terrace, offering a day of excitement for all ages.

## Nada Sake Breweries

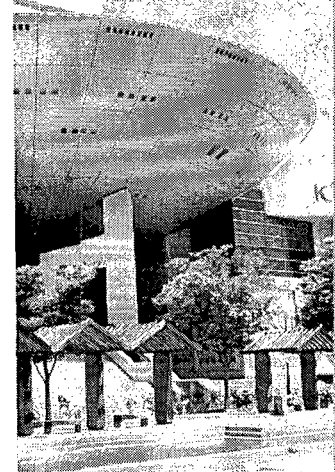
灘の酒蔵

Nada, on the ocean side of the area in and between Kobe and Osaka, is the most famous district for sake brewing in Japan. The area is dotted with sake museums, depicting the art of

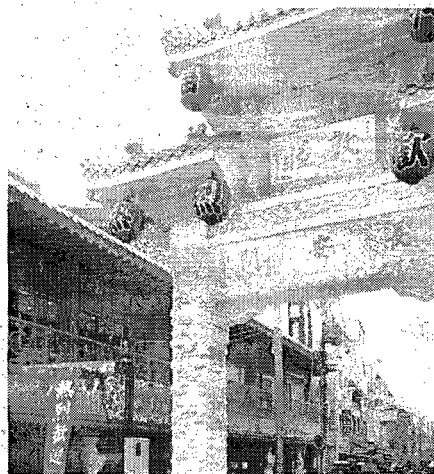
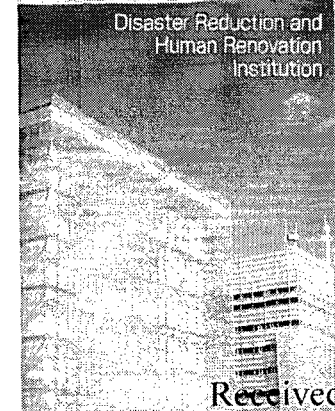




Kobe Fashion Museum



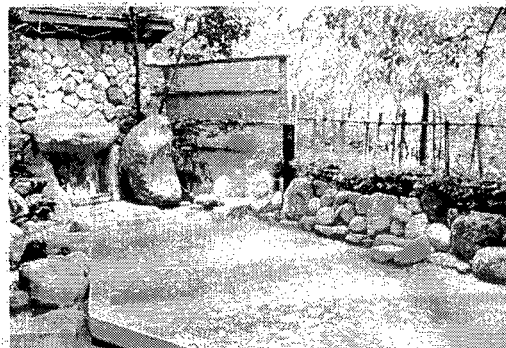
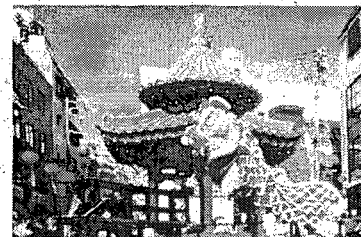
Disaster Reduction and Human Renovation Institution



## Nankin Machi

南京町

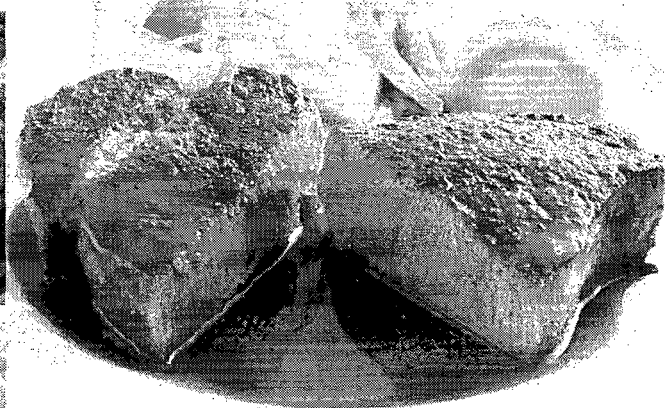
Nankin Machi is a small Chinatown overflowing with a rich oriental atmosphere. The area runs about 200 m east-west and about 100 m north-south, and is demarcated by the symbolic gates of Choan-mon to the east, Seian-mon to the west and Minamiro-mon to the south. The area is packed with Chinese restaurants, grocers and sundries shops, and is always alive with activity.



## Arima Hot Springs

有馬温泉

Arima Hot Springs, with over 1000 years of history, is the oldest hot spring resort in Japan. Arima is renowned for the excellence and variety of its hot spring waters, such as the 'Gold' (or Red) springs with high iron and salt content, and 'Silver' springs with transparent waters containing radium or carbonic acid. There are many hotels and Japanese inns with such hot springs, as well as convenient bathhouses for tourists to stop by and take baths without staying at hotels or inns.



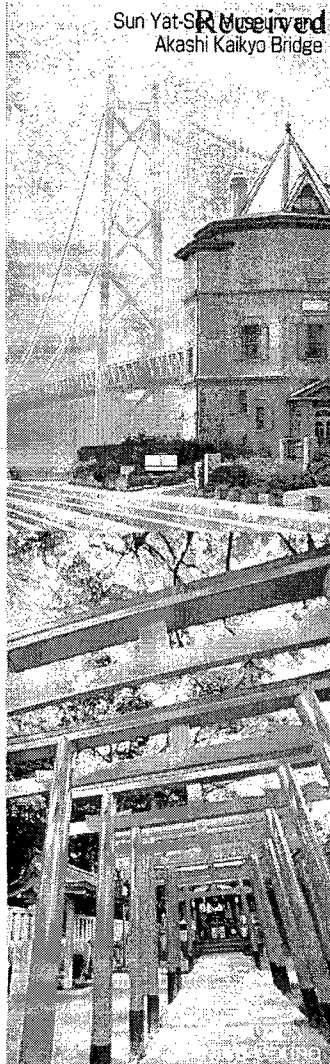
## Kobe Gourmet

神戸のグルメ

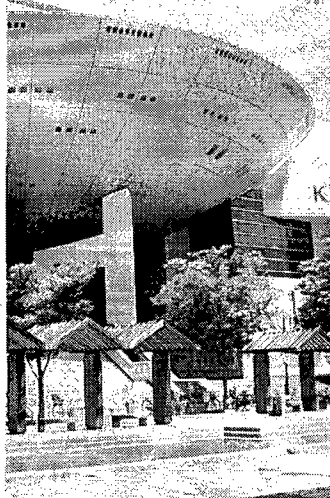
Kobe is world-famous for Kobe Beef, the finest beef in Japan.

Many visitors also come from across the country to enjoy delicious bread and confectionery made in Kobe. Sake from Nada

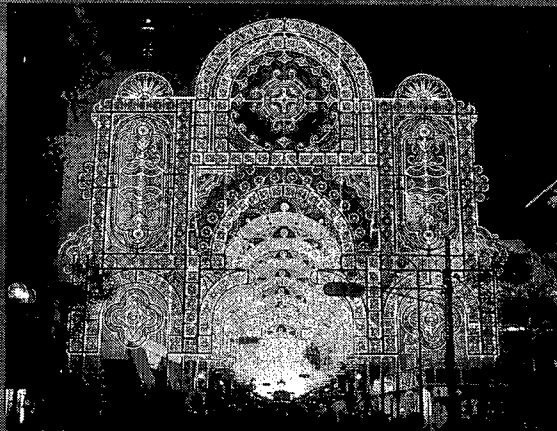
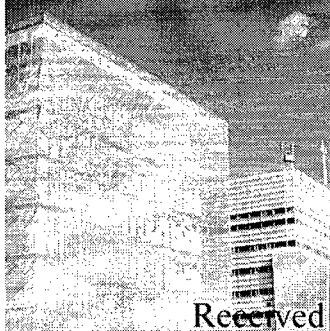




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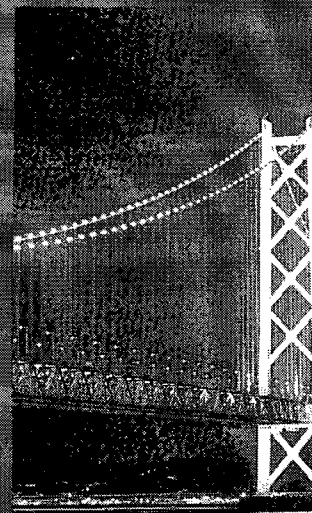


## Kobe Luminarie

ルミナリエ

On January 17, 1995, Kobe was struck by a strong, epicentral earthquake, known as the Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake. Kobe Luminarie lights up the city every mid December in a "sculpture of light" as a requiem to those who perished in the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and a symbol of dreams and hopes of rebuilding the city from that disaster. Glowing like sculptures of light, the illuminated arches light up the streets and warm the hearts of those who come.

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## Akashi Kaikyo Bridge

明石海峡大橋

Akashi Kaikyo Bridge, spanning 3911 meters long and 297 meters high from the sea surface to the top of its main tower, is the world's longest suspension bridge. When lit up at night, the bridge looks like a string of pearls that changes color depending on the time and season.

## Meriken Park

メリケンパーク

Meriken Park, facing the ocean, is a spacious park with abundant greenery. In the evening, the park becomes an ideal spot to see the beautifully illuminated landmarks of Kobe, the Port Tower and the Kobe Maritime Museum.

## Harborland

ハーバーランド

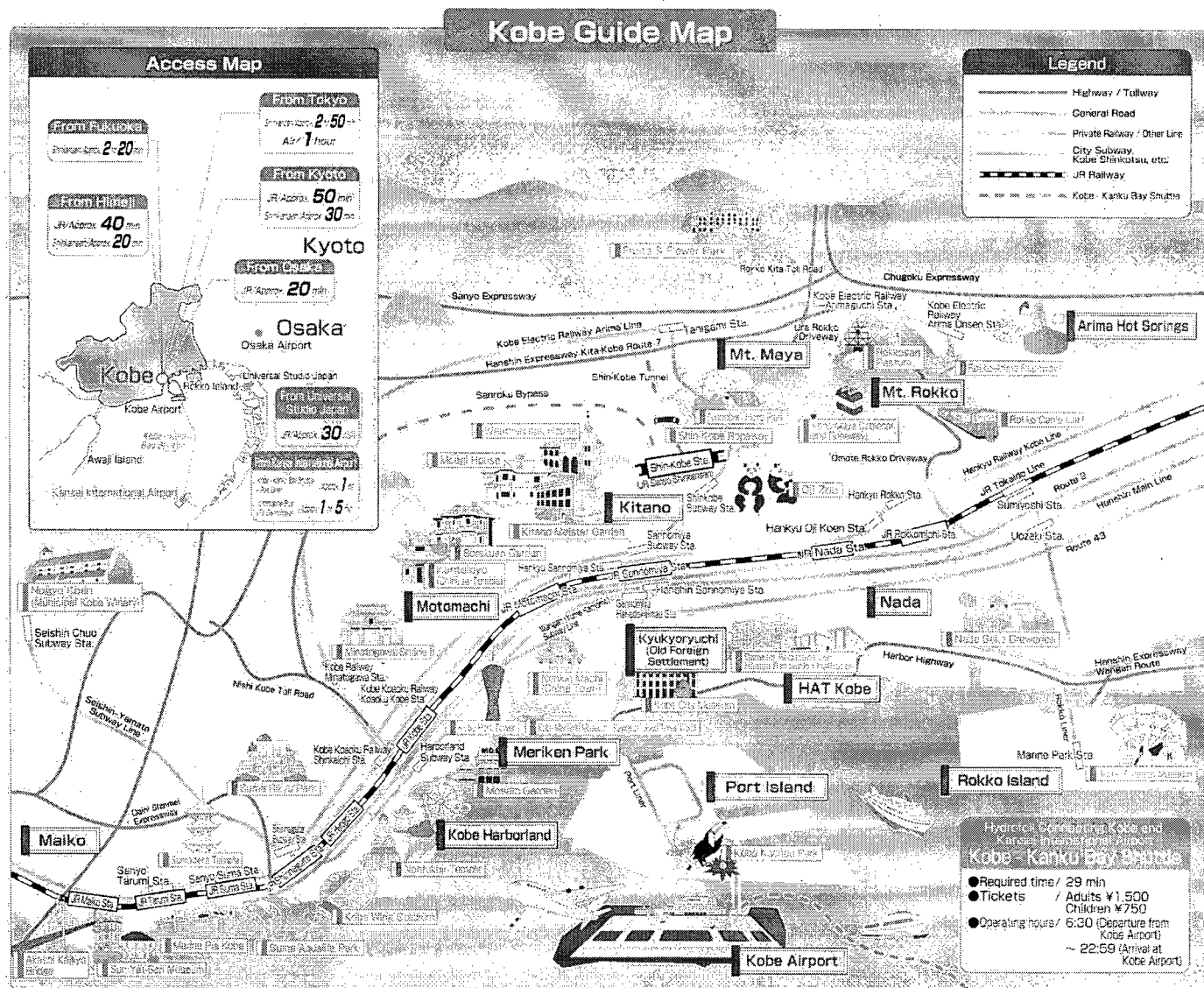
Harborland is a popular waterfront area in Kobe, with everything from shops and restaurants to a cinema complex and an amusement park. Harbor cruises also offer a beautiful night view of the city.



## Ten-million-dollar night view ~from Mt. Shisho~

So beautiful is Kobe at night that it is called a city with a ten-million-dollar night view. Overlooking the city from scenic locations such as





#### Shin-Kobe Ropeway (Kobe Yume Fusen)

Float in midair with a magnanimous view of the city and harbor below all the way to the fragrances of the Nunobiki Herb Park. Just 15 minutes from the center of the city is this wonderful herb garden where you can enjoy the seasons anytime of the year.

**Fare**

- Return / Adults ¥1000, Children ¥500
- One-way / Adults ¥550, Children ¥280

**Service hours**

- Weekdays and winter season / From 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM
- Weekends, holidays and summer season / From 9:30 AM to 9:00 PM

#### City Loop Bus

City Loop Bus is a bus that circulates around the city of Kobe for about one hour stopping at sightseeing spots including Kitano Foreigner Residence, Shin-Kobe, Sannomiya, Motomachi, Nankinmachi, and Harborland. Inside the bus, a tour guide gives explanations about sightseeing spots.

**Fare**

- 1 Ride Ticket / Adults ¥250, Children ¥130
- 1 Day Pass (may be used repeatedly) / Adults ¥650, Children ¥330

\*1 Day Pass comes with discount tickets for tourist facilities.

**Service hours**

- Weekdays / From 9:30 AM (Last bus leaves from Naka Pier at 5:14 PM)
- Weekends and holidays / From 9:30 AM to (Last bus leaves from Naka Pier at 5:39 PM)

#### Harbor Cruises

The tour of the harbor is an amenity special to Kobe. Unique cruise ships with various routes are in service at the Port of Kobe. A nighttime cruise for enjoying the cityscape under the stars and lights is a popular evening activity.

Concerto

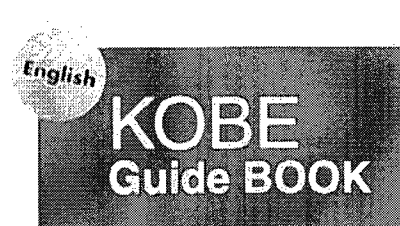
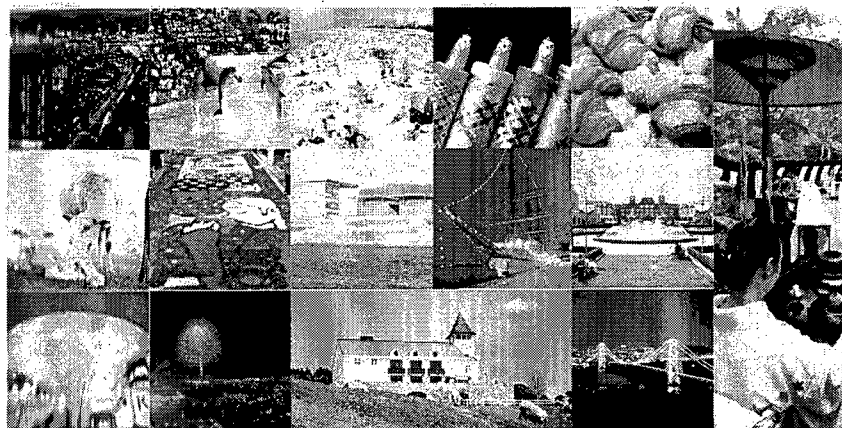
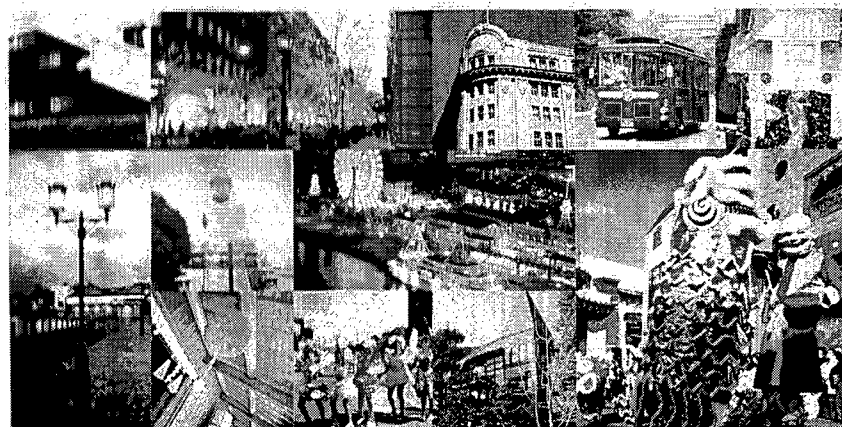
Royal Princess

Sky Marine Cruise "Fantasy"

Luminous Kobe 2

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**KOBE Guide BOOK**

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## History of KOBE

### Ancient Times ~ Edo Period

Kobe is a port city with centuries of history. Its port came to be developed due to several factors: its position on the Seto Inland Sea, Kobe's location in the center of Japan, its deep waters, and its good climate.

During the Nara period (710-784 C.E.), the port, known then as "Owada no Tomari," was already a major port of trade with China and other foreign countries. In addition, the beautiful coastline of Suma and Maiko, located in western Kobe, served as the backdrop for many waka and haiku poems, and other famous literary works as *The Tale of Genji* (approximately late 9th-early 10th century) and the *Taiheiki* (14th century).

For a short time, the capital of Japan was moved from Kyoto to Kobe's Fuku-

hara. At the same time, Kobe has also been a center of military activity. Many battles have been fought here, including the Battle of Ichi no Tani in 1184.

In later years, Kobe's port played an important role as a sea-traffic center for the Seto Inland Sea and the Japan Sea. It was also a rest station along the Sanyo-ku Highway, a major highway from Kyoto to western Japan. Toyotomi Hideyoshi, the great general and unifier of Japan, loved Arima Onsen in the north of Kobe, and often came to visit.

Kobe also flourished in the Edo period (1603-1867). Using its ideal natural environment, it became a sake-making center: Nada no Ki Ippon Sake became famous throughout the country. Even today, Kobe is proud to be the number one sake producing area in the country.

### Meiji Period ~ (1868-1912)

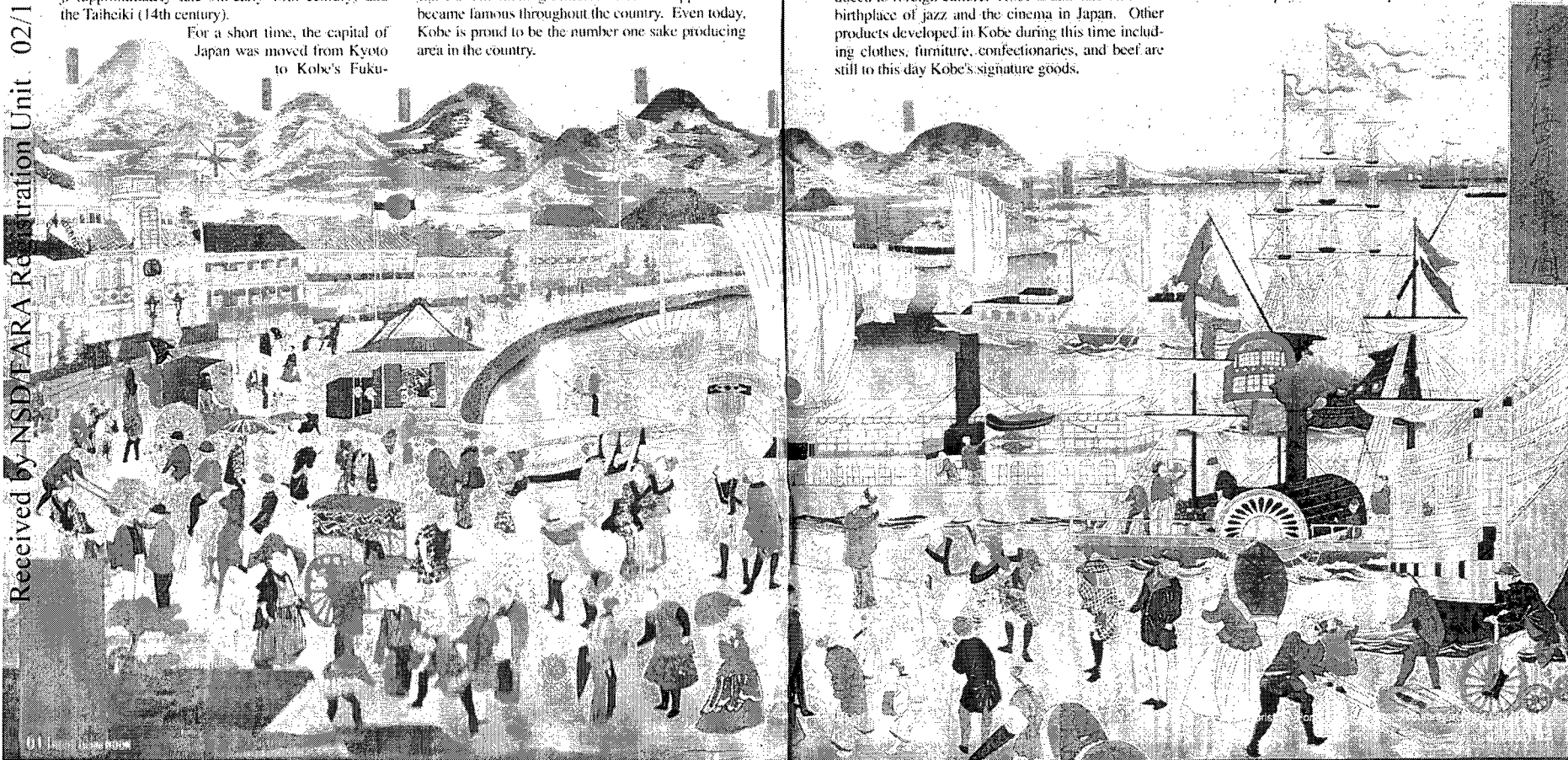
After a long period of national isolation, Japan opened its doors to the world following the arrival of Commodore Matthew Perry and Townsend Harris. The opening of the Port of Kobe on January 1, 1868 allowed Kobe to develop into an international port city and during the Meiji period, Kobe established itself as one of Japan's major ports.

After the opening of the port, many Americans and Europeans came to Kobe, establishing a Foreigners' Settlement. Through them, Western food, clothes, and entertainment found their way into Japan, making Kobe one of the first cities in Japan to be introduced to foreign culture. Kobe is also known as the birthplace of jazz and the cinema in Japan. Other products developed in Kobe during this time including clothes, furniture, confectionaries, and beef are still to this day Kobe's signature goods.

### Hanshin Earthquake ~ Present

On January 17, 1995 at 5:46 a.m., an earthquake with a magnitude of 7.2 hit the Kobe area, taking thousands of lives in only a few seconds. Through the cooperation of Kobe's citizens, businesses, and administration, the city recovered quickly. Many monuments have been erected and commemoration activities commenced to prevent the memories of the earthquake from fading, and to pass on the lessons learned during the disaster to future generations.

The city's efforts are now currently focused on making Kobe a beautiful city, with charms to appeal to both the Japanese and non-Japanese visitor.

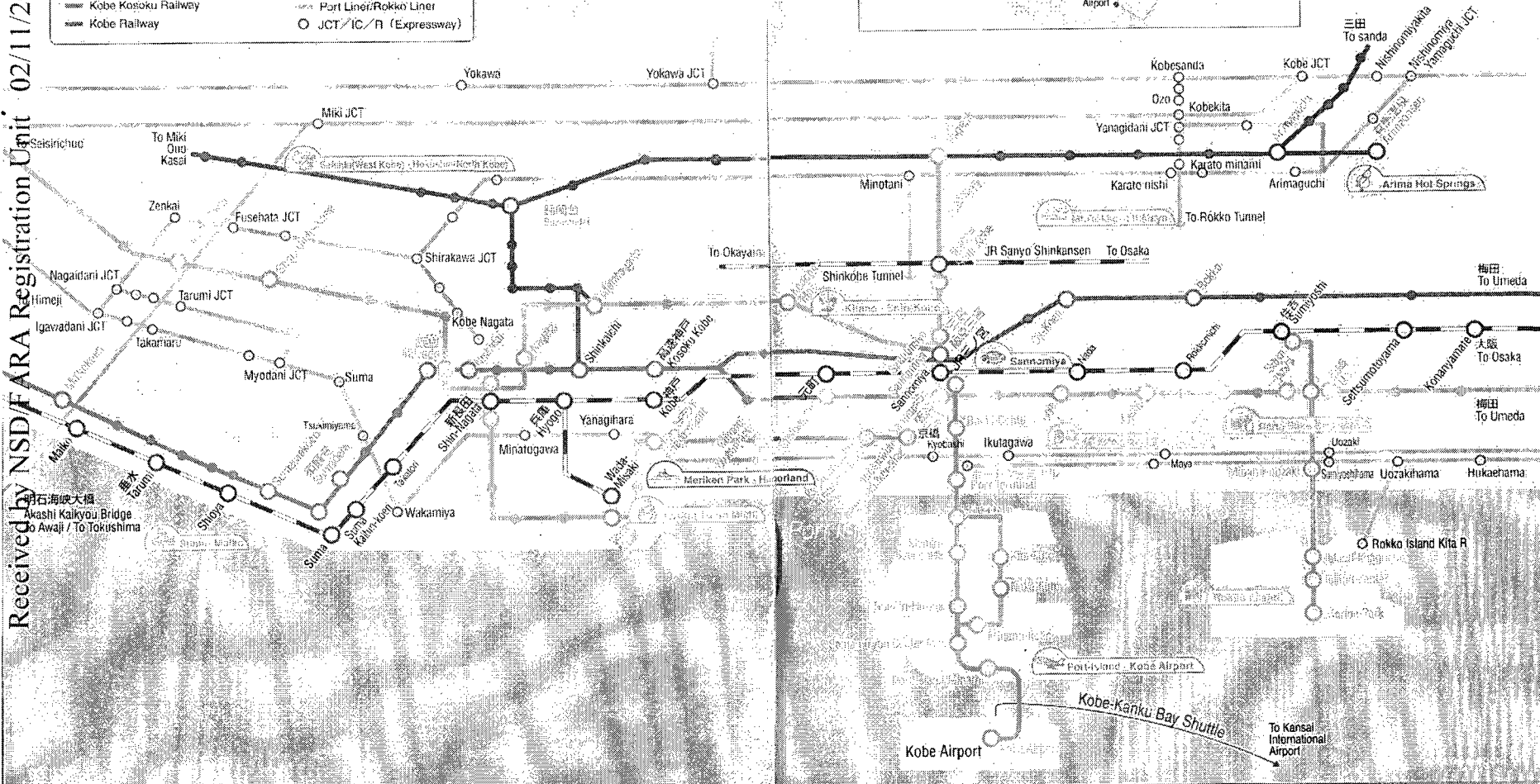


# Access to KOBE

Rail, Air, Long-Distance Bus, and Ferry lead the way to driving.  
You can choose land, air, or water transport to reach Kobe.  
Choose the best and most convenient access route to suit your plan.

## Legend

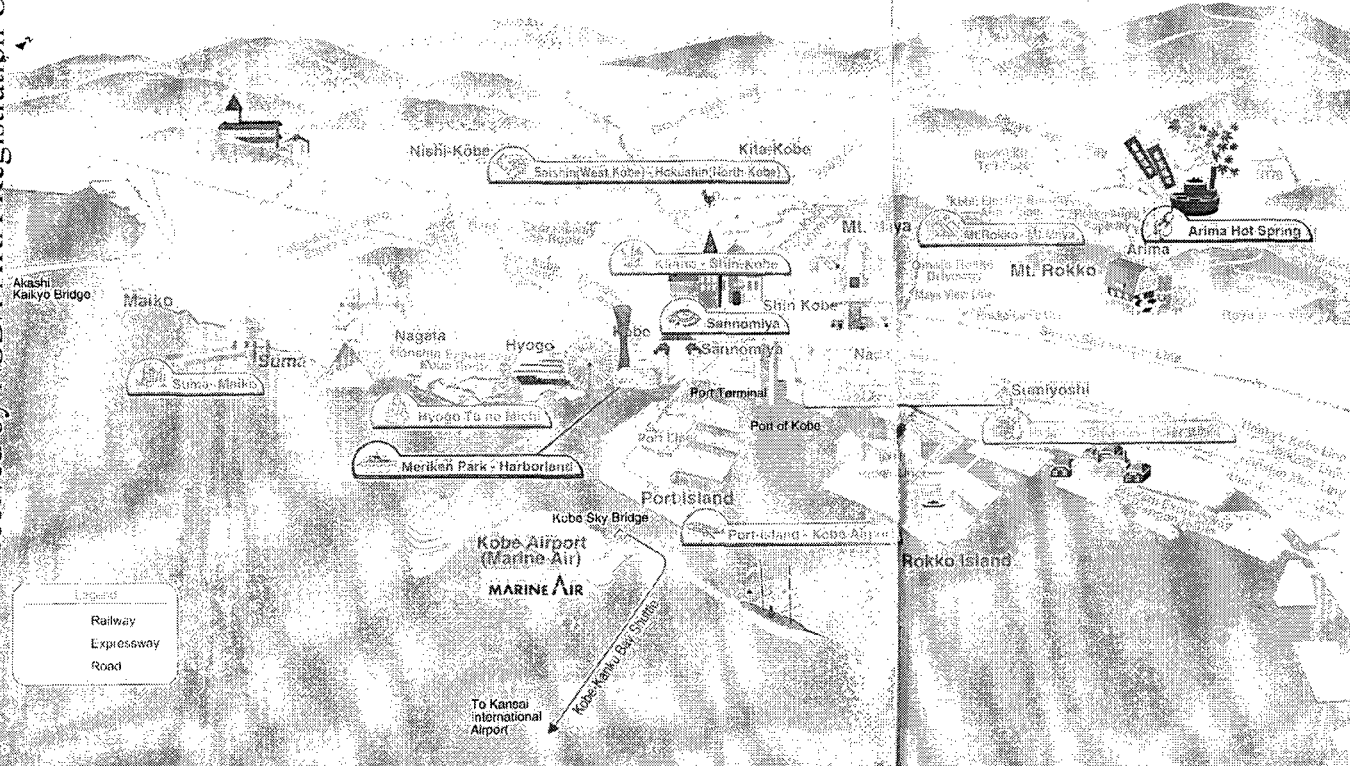
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| Kobe Kosoku Railway   | JR Railway                |
| Kobe Railway  | Port Line/Rokko Line      |
|   | JCT/IC/N (Expressway)     |





# Feel KOBE

The green Rokko mountains, the International Port of Kobe,  
the city streets filled with a nostalgic air and Japan's oldest hot springs ...  
To really appreciate the varied charms of Kobe,  
choose from a variety of courses and visit Kobe's many unique areas.



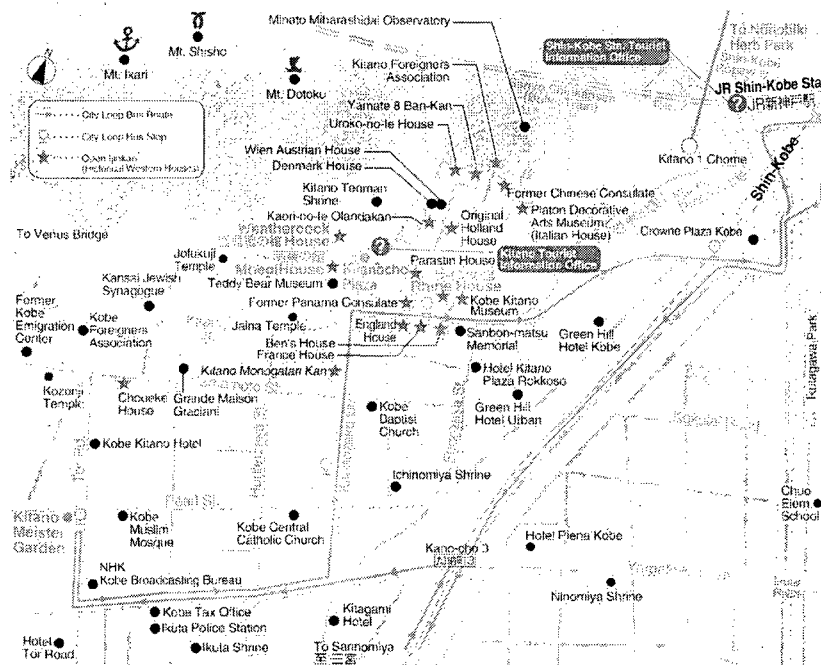
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# Kitano - Shin-Kobe



After the opening of the Port of Kobe, many Americans and Europeans settled down in the Kitano district. Even today, the area possesses a very non-Japanese atmosphere.

A 10-15-minute walk north straight up Kitanozaka St. from Sannomiya will bring you to the Ijinkan area, where there are many Western-style houses. If you start from Shin Kobe Station, the best approach to the area is the Kitano Promenade.

As you enter Kitano Street, you will notice elegant Western houses standing out on both sides. The latest information about the old houses can be obtained at the Kitano Tourist Information Center facing Kitano-cho Plaza. The Weathercock House, Moegi House and Rhine House are all nearby.

An international atmosphere permeates the Kitano district with many restaurants and cafes serving food from all over the world. Here, you can take a break from wandering along Kitanozaka St. and Pearl St.

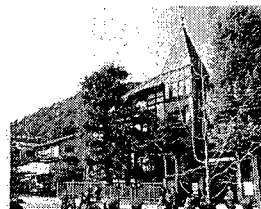
West of the Ijinkan area is Tor Road which links the former residential district with the port. Many foreigners often used this road and it is thought to be the place of origin of Kobe's trendy fashion sense. At the Kitano Meister Garden you can see, buy and even experience making Kobe signature items. It is the ideal spot to end your stroll around this area.

## DESTINATION GUIDE

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### Kitano-cho Plaza

The Plaza is located at the top of the steep Kitanozaka St. There is a wonderful view of the city from the park and it is also an ideal spot for a snapshot with the Weathercock House in the background. The jazz-themed sculptures by Akihiko Kurokawa are also very popular.



### Weathercock House

The weathercock perched on top of the steeple is the symbol of Kitano. This is a dignified house built in the traditional German style and a National Important Cultural Property.

¥300 (Free for high school age or under) Weathercock House and Moegi House dual ticket ¥500  
 ● <Apr. ~ Nov.> 9:00-18:00  
 ● <Dec. ~ Mar.> 9:00-17:00  
 (Closed on the 1st Tuesday of March, June, September, December. Open on holidays, Closed the following day.)  
 ☎ (078)242-3223

### Rhine House

The creamy color of the house is very calming. The house is said to have gotten its name from the overlapping wooden panels creating beautiful horizontal lines. The coffee shop on the 1st floor is a perfect place for a rest.

Free (Fee charged during events)  
 ● 9:00-18:00  
 (Winter season 9:30-17:00)  
 (Closed on 3rd Thursday in June and February. If holiday, closed the following day.)  
 ☎ (078)222-3403

### Moegi House

Moegi means "Light Green" in Japanese. As the house's name suggests, its walls are a graceful light green. There is a gorgeous view from the balcony. It is designated as a National Important Cultural Property.

¥300 (Free for high school age or under) Moegi House and Weathercock House dual ticket ¥500  
 ● <Apr. ~ Nov.> 9:00-18:00  
 ● <Dec. ~ Mar.> 9:00-17:00  
 (Open all year. Shorter opening hours during the year-end and new year holidays.)  
 ☎ (078)222-3310



### Kobe Nishinomiya Herb Park & Shin-Kobe Ropeway

The Park, fragrant with 200 kinds of herbs, lies at the top of a hill, 10 minutes on Shin-Kobe Ropeway from Kitano1 Chome Station. There is a glasshouse with seasonal flowers in bloom and a restaurant where you can enjoy herb dishes.

¥200 (¥100 for junior high school age or under)  
 Ropeway fares (Adults)  
 One-way ¥550, Return ¥1,000  
 ● Weekdays 9:30-17:30  
 Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays (Jul.20-Aug.31) 9:30-21:00  
 During winter 9:30-17:30. Operation may be temporarily suspended during winter.  
 ☎ (078)271-1160  
 (Ropeway out of service for maintenance at the end of January. Herb Park also closed during this period.)



### Kitano Meister Garden

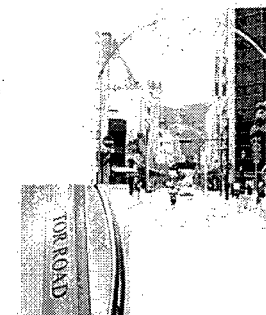
There are 21 workshops and other activities related to Kobe signature items such as bread, craftwork, shoes, and Japanese washi paper here in this old building that was once an elementary school.

Here you can see the skill of the craftsmen, taste a variety of foods and even try your hand at making some of the items.  
 ● 10:00-18:00  
 <Open everyday between October and December>  
 (Closed on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, year-end and New Year)  
 ☎ (078)200-3607 Tenants' Office

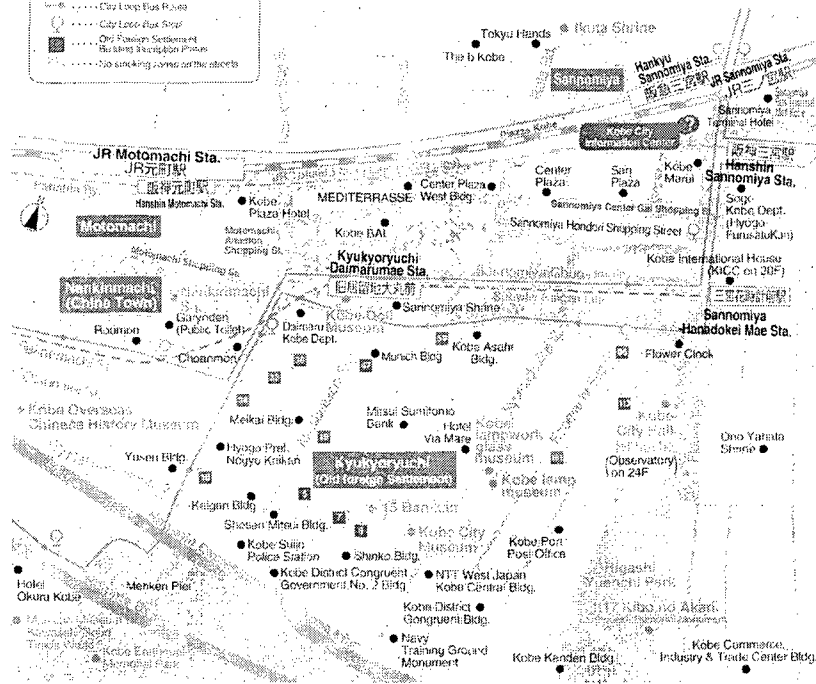
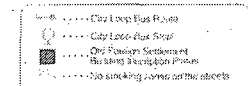


### Tor Road

Tor Road connects the Old Foreign Settlement with the Kitano area. In the past, stores which were popular among foreigners used to line the street. It is not unusual to find western food shops, milliners or delicatessens that have been in business for 3 or 4 generations and have long-time, regular customers.



# Sannomiya - Kyukyoryuchi (Old Foreign Settlement) - Nankinmachi - Motomachi



## No-smoking zones on the streets

"Regulations for the prevention of smoking on the streets and littering of cigarette butts (the ban on smoking while walking)" will be in place from April 1, 2005. Offenders who smoke inside the no-smoking zones on the streets will be fined 1,000 yen.

Between Sannomiya and Motomachi, in Kobe's city center, are the Sannomiya Center Gai Shopping Street and Motomachi Shopping Street as well as many other shopping facilities where you can eat and shop to your heart's content.

West side of Flower Road stretching south from Sannomiya St. is the Kyukyoryuchi (Old Foreign Settlement) which was established at the time of the opening of the Port of Kobe in 1868. Higashi-Yuenchi Park, where foreign residents used to play sports, and the stone buildings in the area are reminders of the early days of the Old Foreign Settlement. Plaques displaying addresses can be found on main buildings. You can imagine what the town looked like long ago as you stroll around the neighborhood. Nankin-Machi is Kobe's lively Chinatown where 100 colorful restaurants and shops line the streets.

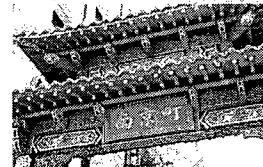


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**Nankinmachi (Chinatown)**  
Nankinmachi is Kobe's Chinatown stretching about 300m east-west and 100m north-south. Here you can have fun going from one store to the next tasting everything from gourmet Chinese food in restaurants to take-away food at stalls.

☎ (078)332-2896 (Nankin-Machi Shopping Street Promotion Association)



## Higashi-Yuenchi Park

Rich in greenery, the park is a city-center haven for relaxing. It is also the location of Luminarie in winter. The park was where the early foreign settlers introduced the sports of rugby, soccer and tennis to Japan. There are many monuments in the park including The Birthplace of Modern Fashion Monument, The Birthplace of Bowling Monument and The "AC Sim" Monument.

## Hanshin Awaji Earthquake Memorial Monument

1.17 Kibo no Akari is a gas light erected in Higashi Yuenchi Park on the 5th anniversary of the earthquake on January 17, 2000 at 5:46 am to pass on the memory of the earthquake and the reconstruction process to future generations. Below the monument, the names of the victims of the earthquake have been engraved on plaques.

## 15 Ban-kan

The Colonial style two-story wooden building was the residence of the American Consul General during the old settlement days. The original building was destroyed in the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake but was rebuilt

in 1998. It is now a restaurant where you can stop for a short rest. It is a Designated Important National Cultural Property.

☎ (078)334-0015

## Kobe City Museum

The museum was established with the theme of "International Cultural Exchange - The Fusion and Transfiguration of Eastern and Western Culture" and is located in the Old Foreign Settlement area in a former bank built in 1935. The impressive structure is of Dorian style with semicircular pillars in a Grecian manner.

☎ Regular entrance fee for Adults ¥200 (High School & College Students ¥150 Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥100)

(An additional fee is charged for special exhibitions.)

☎ 10:00-17:00 (Closed on Mondays (open on holidays, closed the following day) Also closed during exhibition replacement, year-end and New-year.)

☎ (078)391-0035

## Kobe Overseas Chinese History Museum

The museum introduces the history of the Chinese community in Kobe. Collected here are old photographs of Kobe, documents, art objects, and other items related to the Chinese community in Kobe.

☎ Adults ¥300, Students ¥200

☎ 10:00-16:00 (Closed Wednesdays)

☎ 078-331-3855

## Sorakuen Garden



Sorakuen Garden, completed at the end of the Meiji era, is a fine Japanese-style, 20,000-square meter garden built around a pond. There are huge camphor trees and many azaleas in the garden. It is well known for the beauty of its azaleas in spring and chrysanthemum shows in autumn.

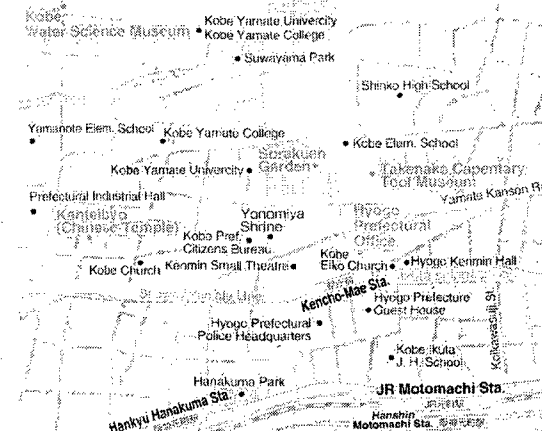
☎ Adults ¥300, Children ¥150

☎ 9:00-17:00 (Admission before 16:30) (Closed Thursdays, open on holiday, closed the following day)

☎ (078)351-5155

## Kanteibyō (Chinese Temple)

Kanteibyō is a temple of worship for the Chinese community in Kobe, where Kan-ū (Guan Yu, or Kwan Yui), who is the hero of Classic Three Kingdom Saga in China, is enshrined. Set in a residential district, the vermillion painted pillars and the yellow roof tiles create a Chinese atmosphere.



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\* Business hours may vary depending on the season

This green park sits on the waterfront of the port. In the park, you can visit monuments such as the Meriken Theater, commemorates the introduction of the cinema to Japan, and see a replica of Columbus' ship, the Santa Maria. Seeing Kobe's landmarks, Kobe Port Tower and the Kobe Maritime Museum lit up at night is also recommended.

In order to tell later generations of the great destruction the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake caused in Kobe, a section of the damaged waterfront is preserved as it was immediately after the disaster. The degree of damage caused by the earthquake and the port's progress in reconstruction are shown in this memorial park.

Daily sightseeing tours onboard  
an amphibious boat.  
**☎(078)371-3700**

The crimson red tower is a symbol of the Port of Kobe. You can enjoy a 360-degree panoramic view from the 100-meter high observation floor.

☑ ¥600 (Elementary & Junior High School Students ¥300)

🕒 9:00~20:30 (Changes due to season, please contact us.)  
(Entrance open until 30 minutes before close.)

☎ (078)291-6751



This comprehensive museum displays the sea, sea vessels, and port with a focus on the history of the Kobe Port. The Kawasaki Good Times World exhibits the real products such as Shinkansen bullet train and helicopter.

¥500 (Children ¥250)  
Combined ticket with the Port Tower  
¥800 (Children ¥400)  
10:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed on Monday)  
(078)327-8983



A workshop inside a warehouse at Kobe port where a variety of craftsmen are actively engaged in glasswork, pottery and calligraphy arts and crafts.  
 11:00~19:00(Closed on Wednesday)  
 078-351-1335

To really get the best out of your visit to the Port of Kobe and see another side of the port city, take one of the many cruises available.

Enjoy genuine French food on this cruise. There are 3 cruises per day. The 1st and 3rd cruises go as far as Akashi Kaikyō Bridge taking about 2 hours 20 minutes.

**Adults ¥2,100~, Children ¥1,050~ (Meals not included)**  
**Departs from Naka Pier Passenger Terminal**  
**☎(078)333-8414**

Enjoy Children's and adult cooking in the ship's popular restaurant. You can also listen to live jazz and classical performances on board. 9 cruises per day.  
**Adults ¥2,100, Children ¥1,050 (Meals not included)**  
**Departs from the front of Harborland Mosaic**  
**☎(078)360-5600**

**Adults ¥1,000, Children ¥500, Junior and senior  
 Highschool Students・Over 65years old ¥800.**  
**Departs from Kamomeria (Naka Pier Central Terminal).**  
**☎(078)360-0039**

\* Please check in advance as cruises are subject to change or cancellation.

59 minute crossing. This boat is the first sailing boat launched into Kobe Port.  
**Adults ¥1,000, Children ¥500, Junior and senior Highschool Students・Over 65years old ¥800**  
**Departs from Kamomeria (Naka Pier Central Terminal)**  
**☎(078)360-0039**

Pleasure boat equipped with a Japanese-style puber, it is the only boat to go under the bridge connecting to the Kobe Airport, and you can see the airport directly.

**Adults ¥1,200, Small Children ¥600, Junior and senior highschool students & Over 65 years old ¥1,000**

**Departs from Kamomeria (Naka Pier Central Terminal)**

**☎(078)360-0731**

**Adults ¥1,000, Children ¥500**  
**\*No operation on Wednesdays and Thursdays.**  
**Departs from Kamomeria (Naka Pier Central Terminal)**  
**☎(078)367-2651**

# Port Island - Kobe Airport

Over 20 years have passed since Port Island, Kobe's first man-made island, was completed and opened to the public. With its International Conference Center, International Exhibition Hall, and hotels, it is an ideal place for conventions. Other attractions on the island are the Kobe Science Museum and the UCC Coffee Museum. Also, the Kobe Healthcare Industry Development Center (HI-DEC) is being promoted, and south of this is Kobe Airport which has regular flights to Sapporo, Sendai, Tokyo, Kagoshima, Okinawa, etc. From Kobe Airport there is the Bay Shuttle regular high-speed ferry service to Kansai International Airport that takes only 29 minutes.

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● Busiest hours may vary depending on the season.

### Kobe Flowers and Birds Garden

This is an all-weather theme park that is filled with colorful flowers of all kinds and where you can touch owls, parakeets and penguins that fly and walk freely in the garden.

● Adults (above junior high school) ¥1,500, Children (elementary school) ¥700, over 65 years old ¥1,000, Small Children Admission free. Other: Special charge for disabled people / group discounts

● 9:00-17:30 (Admission until 30 minutes before closing time)

☎ (078) 302-8899



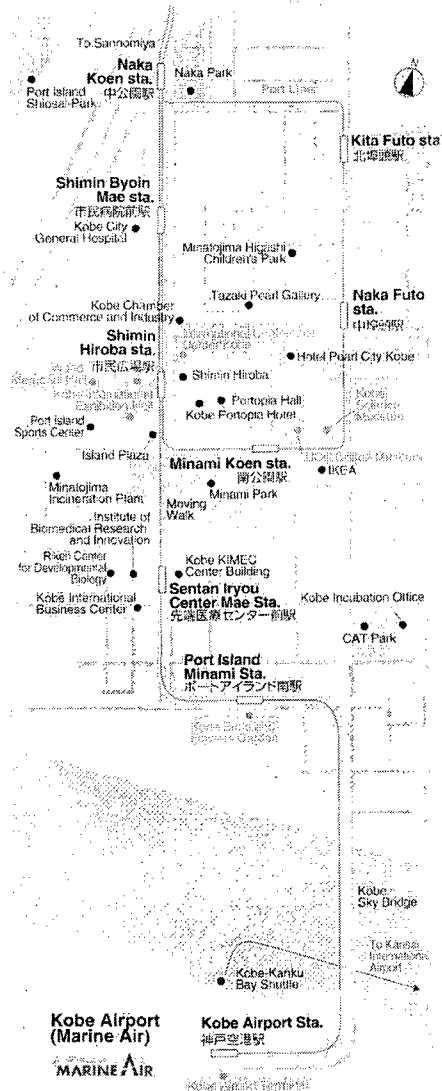
### Kobe Airport Terminal

The Kobe Airport Terminal which was opened at the same time as Kobe Airport contains cafes, restaurants and Kobe sweets stores. On the top floor, which is now a popular sightseeing spot, you can see the ocean, the runway, the city and Mt. Rokko.

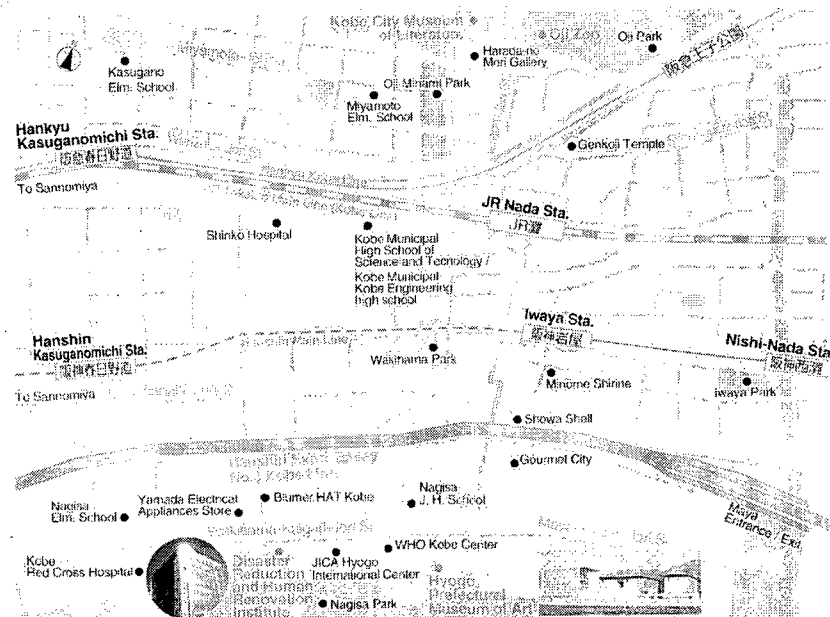
● Admission to observation deck free of charge

● 6:00-23:00

☎ (078) 304-7777



# HAT Kobe - Around JR Nada Station



## Through life-size dioramas of the city streets after the Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake, you can learn of the experiences and lessons from the earthquake.

● One museum  
Adults ¥500, High School & College Students ¥400, Junior High & Elementary School Students ¥250  
Both museums  
Adults ¥800, High School & College Students ¥640, Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥400  
● 9:30 ~ 17:30 (Closed Mondays, July ~ September until 18:00, Fridays, Saturdays until 19:00.)  
☎ (078)262-5050

There is so much to see and do at the Oji Zoo. Come see the giant pandas "Ko-Ko" and "Tai-Tai" together with 800 animals from 150 different species from around the world.

There is also the "Dobutsu to Kodomo Kuni" (Animals and Children Land) where you can pet and play with rabbits, goats, and other animals.

● Adults (over 15 years old) ¥600, Junior High School Students ¥200, Elementary School Students and Small Children free

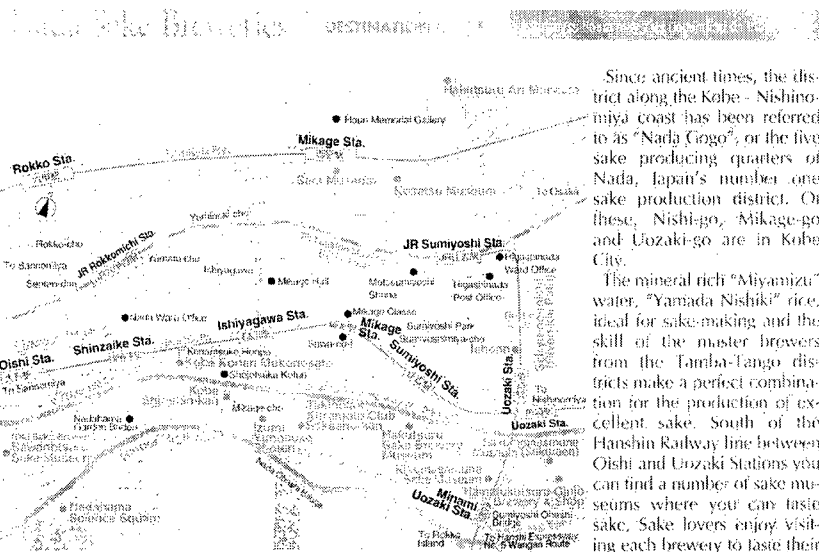
● March - October 9:00 ~ 17:00, November - February 9:00 ~ 16:30 (Admission ends 30 minutes before closing time) Closed Wednesdays, open on holidays  
☎ (078)-861-5624

In the regular exhibition corner, "Port of Kobe Literature Scene", literary works and materials related to writers from the Meiji era who have ties with Kobe are displayed according to age. There are also the "Kobe Literary Map" which traces the footsteps of writers and 1,000 volumes of works by writers who were active in Kobe in the "Kobe Bookshelf Corner". Exhibitions and lectures on literature and other events are also held.

● Admission free  
● Weekdays 10:00-18:00  
Saturdays, Sundays, national holidays 9:00-17:00  
☎ (078) 882-2028



# Nada Sake Breweries - Rokko Island



distinctive flavors. Near Hanshin Mikage Station you can find Sawa-no-i Well, the famous water from which Nada no Ki Ippon is produced.

Just west of Hanshin Uozaki Station you will find the banks of the Sumiyoshi River which is a perfect place for taking a stroll. Tanizaki Junichiro's residence is open to the public and located beside the river. If you walk a little further to the hillside area you will find the Kosetsu Museum and Hakutsuru Museum.

**Konan Brewery**  
The museum resembles a sake brewery as it used to be in the past. Here you can see how sake was traditionally made.

Free \*Sake tasting possible  
10:00 ~ 16:00 (Closed Wednesdays)  
(078)882-7788



**Yukari no Ippon**  
A Western-style former residence that introduces the history of Nada sake and Konan-tsuke pickles. The shop contains

a wide variety of Konan-tsuke pickles and is a must-see.  
Free  
10:00 ~ 17:00 (no holidays)  
(078)842-2508



**Konan Brewery**  
This brewery features a sake-tasting area where you can not only sample sake but also snacks served with sake as well. There is also a restaurant and special events hall.

Free \*Sake tasting possible  
10:00 ~ 18:00 (no holidays)  
(078)841-1121

Since ancient times, the district along the Kobe - Nishinomiya coast has been referred to as "Nada Gogo", or the five sake producing quarters of Nada, Japan's number one sake production district. Of these, Nishi-go, Mikage-go and Uozaki-go are in Kobe City.

The mineral rich "Miyamizu" water, "Yamada Nishiki" rice, ideal for sake-making and the skill of the master brewers from the Tamba-Tango districts make a perfect combination for the production of excellent sake. South of the Hanshin Railway line between Oishi and Uozaki Stations you can find a number of sake museums where you can taste sake. Sake lovers enjoy visiting each brewery to taste their

**Yukari no Ippon**  
Burned cedar planks are the special feature of this brewery which was built 250 years ago and is still in good condition. Reservations for groups of 10 should be made in advance.  
Free (reservation required)  
9:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays)  
(078)851-2722

**Takimatsu Brewery**  
This dignified 200-year old structure provided the backdrop for the NHK serial drama "Amakara-san".  
Free \*Sake tasting possible  
10:00 ~ 17:30 (Closed Tuesdays)  
(078)851-0260

**The Hakutsuru Sake Brewery Museum**  
Life-sized figures are used in the exhibition to show how sake was made long ago.

Free \*Sake tasting possible  
9:30 ~ 16:30  
(Closed Mondays)  
(078)822-8907



**The Sake Making Tools**  
The sake making tools on exhibit here are Designated Important National Folk Treasures. In the grounds, there is a replica of a shed and a water-

wheel used for polishing rice.

Free \*Sake tasting possible  
9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed during summer holidays, year end and New Year)  
(078)854-1029

**Sakurayama Sake Brewery**

Besides an exhibition, there is also a cafe and restaurant that serves Japanese food.

Free  
12:00 ~ 22:00 (Closed Tuesdays)  
(078)436-3030

**Hakutsuru Sake Brewery**

Here you can see the complete process of sake making through a glass observation hall.

Free \*Sake tasting possible  
10:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed Mondays and the day following national holidays)  
(078)411-0492

**Tanizaki Junichiro's Residence**  
Quietly standing on the banks of the Sumiyoshi River is a Japanese style house and one-time residence of the great writer Tanizaki Junichiro, his wife Matsuko and her sisters.

They lived here for 7 years. It was Tanizaki's life here that provided the inspiration for his famous novel "The Makioka Sisters".

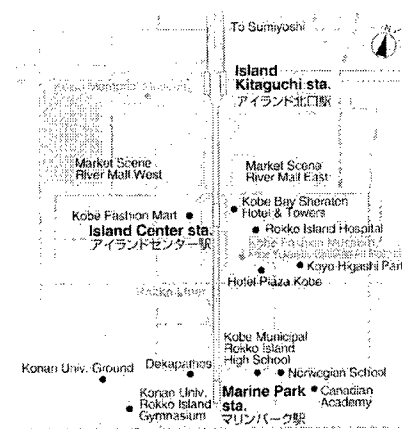
Free  
10:00-16:00 (Open only on Saturdays and Sundays)  
(078)842-0730



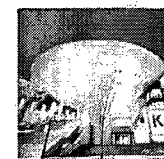
## Nada Sake

Nada sake is often called "Otoko-zake" (male sake) because of its strong characteristics, raw sensation on the tongue, and its coarse taste. In autumn, after the sake has aged in barrels over summer, the aroma and flavor become stronger improving the sake's quality even more. The 5 flavors (sweet, piquant, acid, bitter, astringent) all blend to create a clear mellow sake. This is the distinctive characteristic of this sake, also called "Nada no Ki Ippon."

## Rokko Island



Rokko Island boasts many colorful high-rise apartment buildings, foreign-affiliated companies, and international schools, giving the island an open and international atmosphere. Here, you can shop in a mall filled with imported goods, eat out and see a movie, and visit the Kobe Fashion Museum and the Kois Memorial Museum.

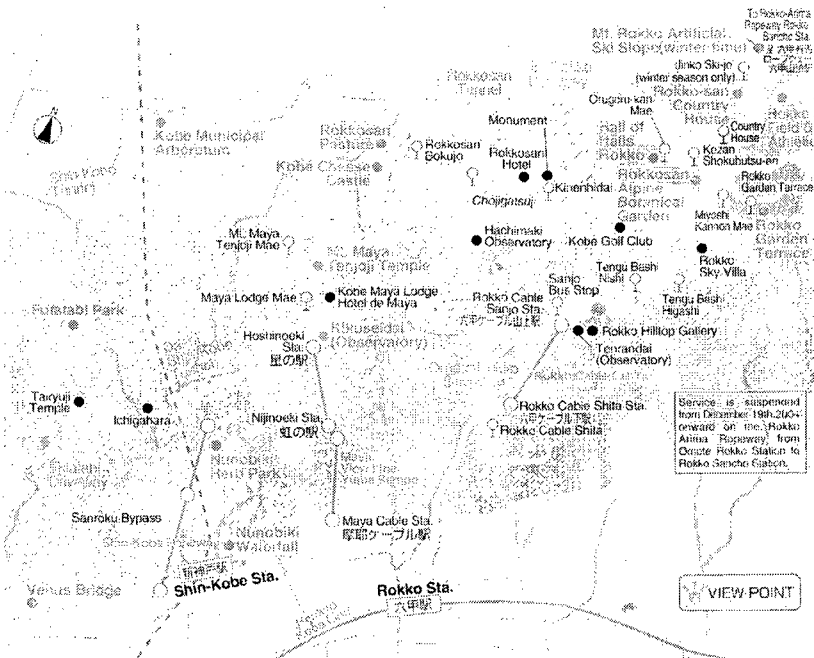


Kobe Fashion Museum/  
Kobe Yukari no Bijutsukan Art Museum



Kois Memorial Museum

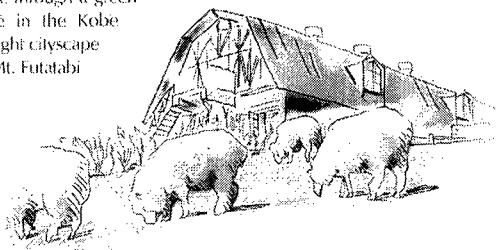
# Mt. Rokko ~ Mt. Maya



A major outdoor resort area, the Rokko mountain range is a stretch of green mountains running 30km east-west. From the top of Mt. Rokko and Mt. Maya, you can see Kobe's famous "10-million Dollar Night View." The top of Mt. Rokko can be reached by the Rokko Cable Car. At the top of the mountain there are a variety of leisure facilities such as; Rokkasan Pasture - Kobe Cheese House, Rokko Garden Terrace, Rokko-san Country House, etc.

At the top of Mt. Maya is the fashionable Hotel de Maya which looks down over the city. Nearby is Maya Tenjoji Temple from where Mt. Maya took its name. You can reach the top of Mt. Maya by the Maya View Line Yume Sanpo (the Maya Cable and Ropeway), which provides a brilliant view of the mountains. On the mountain, there is a Mt. Rokko loop line bus and a bus that connects Mt. Rokko and Mt. Maya.

Around Mt. Futatabi, there is a beautiful drive through a green tunnel of trees. You can appreciate nature in the Kobe Municipal Arboretum. View Kobe's glittering night cityscape from Venus Bridge, along Futatabi Driveway. Mt. Futatabi is also a spiritual mountain connected with the famous Buddhist monk Kobo-Daishi. You can follow his footsteps to Taiyūji Temple in the heart of the mountain.



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### Rokkasan Pasture - Kobe Cheese House

Like a scene taken from a story-book, Rokkasan Pasture is an relaxing rural spot where you can interact with cows and sheep. In "Makiba Yume Kobo" in the park you can try your hand at making cheese and sausages. In the Kobe Cheese House you can see how cheese is made and try some original cheese dishes in the restaurant.

¥500 (Children ¥200)

9:00-17:00 (9:00-18:00 Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays during Mar. and Nov., and the whole month of Aug.)  
Closed Tuesdays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day. Open everyday from Mar. till Nov.

☎(078)891-0280



### Rokko Garden Terrace

The view from the observation tower 888m high in the mountains is superb. You can have lunch or dinner in the cafe, and buy various items, confectioneries as well as organic food-stuffs from around the world.

☎Parking: ¥500

10:00 - 21:00

☎(078)894-2281



### Kobe Municipal Arboretum

Here you can see trees from around the world as they appear in their natural environment. Come watch the colors of the park change along with the seasons. The park holds guided walks around the hydrangea

garden in early summer and regular bird watching parties. There is a free shuttle bus service from Kobe Dentetsu Kitasuzurandai Station.

¥300 (Junior High School Children and younger ¥150)

9:00-17:00 (Closed Wednesdays, Open on national holidays and closed the following day)

☎(078)591-0253

### Mt. Maya Tenjoji Temple

Tenjoji Temple is an old Shingon Sect temple at the top of Mt. Maya. It is said that the temple was founded in 646 by the hermit Hodo who came from India on a cloud of brushwood. From the Edo period the temple has been popular among people as a place to pray for a safe birth.

☎(078)861-2684

### Futatabi Park

Futatabi Park, in the heart of the mountain, is a famous spot for viewing autumn maple leaves. You can rent a boat and row leisurely around Shiogahara Pond. The park can be accessed by No. 25 city bus. (Runs only on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays from April to November)

### Hall of Halls Rokko (Music Box Museum)

A collection of about 80 unique antique music boxes from around the world are on display here. You can see one of the world's largest dancing musical boxes and other self-operating musical instruments. There is a performance every two hours.

Adults ¥1,000 Children ¥500

10:00-17:00 (Admission until 16:00)  
Closed Thursdays (Open from Mar. 14 till Aug. 31, as well as national holidays)

☎(078)891-1284

### Alpine Botanical Garden

Here, about 1,500 different kinds of wild plants from alpine and cold regions of the world are grown in a natural environ-

ment. Also featured here are a viewing plaza and Prince Bridge, inaugurated by the current Emperor when he was Crown Prince.

Adult ¥600 Child ¥300

Mar. 1 - Nov. 30 10:00 - 17:00 (Admission until 16:30)

Closed Thursdays (Open Mar. 21 - Aug. 31, national holidays)

☎078-891-1247

### Access

#### Rokko Cable Car

Mt. Rokko can be accessed via the Rokko Cable Car. You can reach the cable car's Cable Shita Station by No. 16 bus from Hankyu Rokko Station.

One-way ¥570 (Children ¥290)

Return fare ¥1,000 (Children ¥500)

7:10 - 21:10 (No holidays)

☎(078)861-5288

#### Maya View Line Yume Sanpo

This is the name given to the Maya Cable Car and Maya Ropeway. There is a beautiful view of the city and hills from the Summit. You can reach Maya Cable Car Station by No. 18 bus from Sannomiya.

One-way fare ¥860 (Children ¥430)  
Return fare ¥1,500 (Children ¥750)

10:00-17:30

(Weekdays from Mar. 20 till Jul. 19, from Sept. 1 till Nov. 30 and from Dec. 1 till Mar. 19)

10:00-20:50

(Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays from March 20 till Jul. 19, and from Sep. 1 till Nov. 30)

10:00-20:50

(All days from Jul. 20 till Aug. 31)

10:00-19:50

(Saturdays, Sundays, and national holidays from Dec. 1 till Mar. 19)  
Closed Tuesdays. (If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)

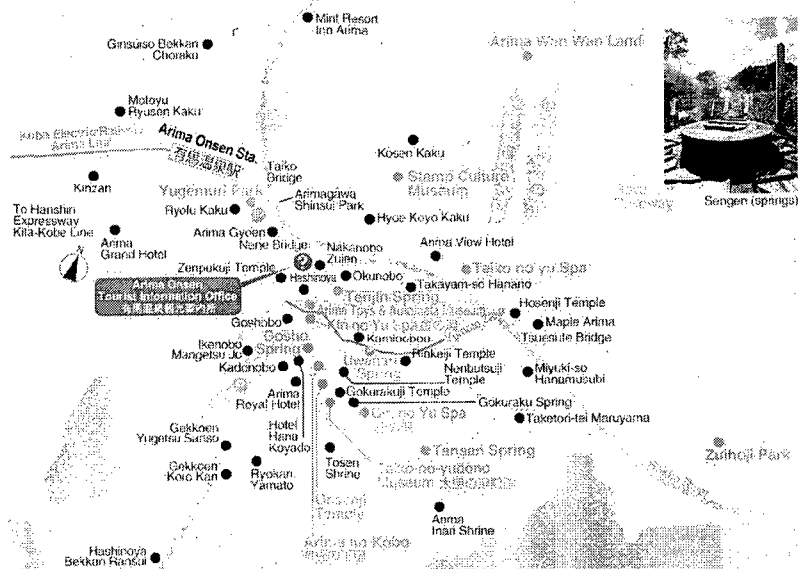
No operation for about 2 weeks due to a legal annual inspection from Jan. to Feb.

☎(078)861-2998





# Arima Hot Springs



Arima Hot Springs is about 40 minutes by train or 30 minutes by car from Sannomiya. Together with Dogo and Shirahama springs, Arima Hot Springs is one of Japan's top three ancient springs. Many famous historical figures have visited the springs; among these, Gyoki Bosatsu, Ninsai Shonin, and Taiko Hideyoshi (Toyotomi Hideyoshi) are considered Arima Hot Springs' three benefactors. Onsenji Temple and Taiko no Yudono Museum are connected with these figures.

Arima has two kinds of springs: an iron and salt combination spring which is reddish gold called "Kinsen", and a radium and carbonate combination spring which is colorless and is referred to as "Ginsen". Here in Arima you can enjoy two different types of spas. You can also visit temples or stroll aimlessly along Yumoto-Zaka with its atmosphere of a hot springs town. There are also shops selling traditional souvenirs. You can see the spring sources, soak in baths using 'Kinsen' at Kin no Yu Spa and 'Ginsen' at Gin no Yu Spa, and try your hand at crafts and other activities at Arima no Kobo.

Savor the beauty of the seasons while walking around Arima. The autumn colors of Zuihoji Park and Tsuzumigataki Waterfall are beautiful and each visit presents a new and beautiful scene to behold.

For information = Arima Onsen Tourist Information Office  
Tel: (078)904-0708



Sengen (springs)

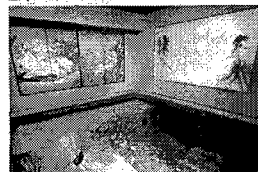
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**Taiko no Yudono Museum**  
After the 1995 earthquake, an ancient bathtub used by general Toyotomi Hideyoshi, the remains of a garden, and other artifacts were unearthed, and are on display here. This museum also introduces the history and culture of Arima.

¥200 (Elementary, Junior High, Senior High School Students ¥100)  
9:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed on 2nd Wednesday)

(078)904-4304



## Onsenji Temple

Built in the Nara period by a Buddhist priest, this temple introduces its history and that of Arima hot springs. Admission is 100 yen for adults and 50 yen for children.

## Sengen (Springs)

The white steam rising from the Tenjin Spring makes a perfect background for a photo. The Goshō and Uwanari Springs are also recommended. Come experience the sensation of cold carbonate water gushing from the Tansen Spring.

## Kin no Yu Spa

Kin no Yu Spa was constructed over the source of Arima Onsen. Here you can soak in "Kinsen" water.  
¥650 (Children ¥340 Infants ¥140)  
8:00 ~ 22:00 (Admission to the bathhouse until 21:30. Closed 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month)  
(078)904-0680



## Gin no Yu Spa

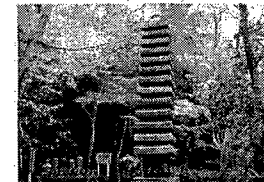
In the Gin no Yu Spa, you can bathe in "Ginsen" water.  
¥550 (Children ¥290 Infants ¥120)  
9:00 ~ 21:00 (Admission to the bathhouse until 20:30. Closed 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month)  
(078)904-0256

Combination Kin no Yu Spa-Gin no Yu Spa-Taiko no Yudono Museum ticket ¥1,000.



## Zuihoji Park

Shogun Toyotomi Hideyoshi once said of this park "You never get tired of admiring this garden." In autumn, the park's 600 maple trees burst into full color.



## Arima no Kobo

Here, Arima's traditional crafts and culture are introduced in the Onsen Gallery.  
Free (Fee charged for use of meeting rooms and lounge)  
9:00 ~ 18:00  
(078)903-5554

Koyado Toji (Fee charged)  
(078)904-0708

## Access

## Rokko Arima Ropeway

Arima Hot Springs can be accessed from Mt. Rokko via the Rokko Arima Ropeway. It has a spectacular view of the mountains.

Rokko-Sancho Sta. ~ Arima Onsen Sta. One-way ¥980 (Children ¥490) Return fare ¥1,770 (Children ¥890)

9:13 ~ 18:13  
(Mar. 21 ~ Jul. 19 / Sep. 1 ~ Dec. 9)  
9:13 ~ 20:53 (Jul. 20 ~ Aug. 31)  
9:13 ~ 17:13 (Dec. 10 ~ Mar. 20)  
(078)891-0031

## Arima Souvenirs

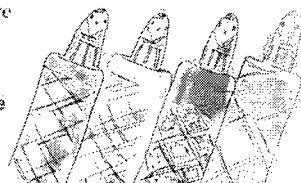
**Tansen Senbei Crackers:** Crackers with a sweet taste and light texture.

**Arima Ningyo Fude (Arima Doll Brush):** Also called Ko-mochi Fude (Child-Bearing Brush). This brush has a long tradition and is a popular item because of its bright colors and cute dolls that pop out of the handle.

**Traditional Bamboo Craftwork, Arima Kago (Basket):** High quality tea ceremony and other items made in the traditional style from fine quality bamboo from the Rokko mountain range.

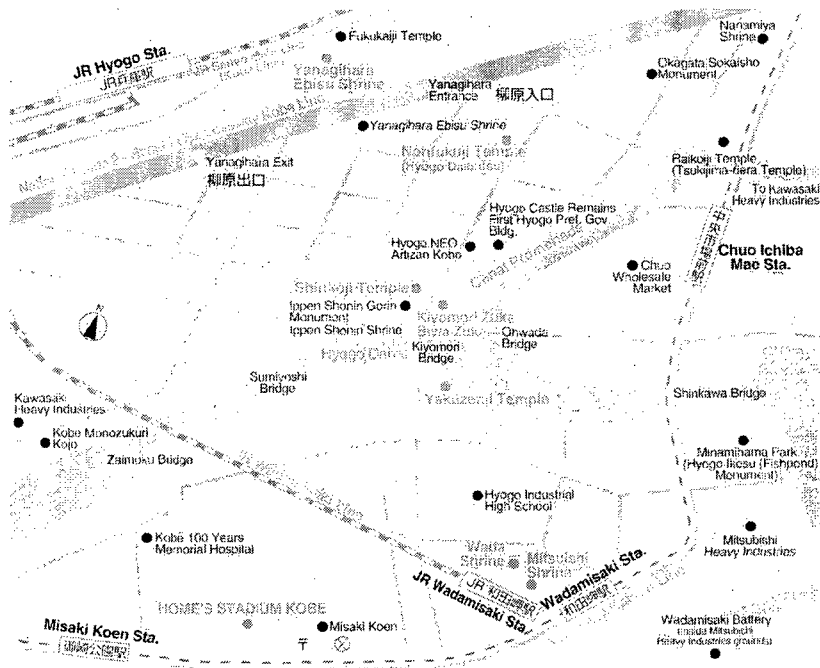
**Matsutake Konbu:** The rich local taste of matsutake mushrooms and kelp boiled in soy sauce, mirin and sugar.

**Sen-nari Tsuke (Pickles):** Gourds and mini-eggplants pickled in Nada sake residue.





# Hyogo Tsu no Michi



From ancient times Hyogo Tsu has been well known for its natural harbor. During the twelfth century, it was known as "Owada no Tomari" a center of Japan-China trade, and in more recent history it prospered as a sea trade port. In the Meiji period the Shinkawa Canal and Hyogo Canal were opened and the district became an important location for the transport of timber and construction materials. Today the area is used as a timber storage site and you can see huge logs floating in the old canals. By taking the walking course "Hyogo Tsu no Michi" you will be able to see the many historical spots in the area. You can get to Wadamisaki from Sannomiya by subway on the Kaigan Line in a little over 10 minutes.

Near the station you will find the two shrines, Mitsubishi Shrine and Wada Shrine, side by side. As you walk a little further you will notice images and reminders of the warrior, Taira Kiyomori. First you will come across Yakuzenji Temple which is related with Kiyomori. The Hyogo Canal has Kiyomori Bridge built over it. If you cross the bridge you will come to Kiyomori Zuka stone monument which is thought to be the location of his grave. Others, however, believe his grave is in Nohjukoji, slightly north of this site. You can head for the temple while taking a leisurely stroll along Shinkawa Canal.

If you cross Route 2 you will come to Yanagihara Ebisu Shrine which is famous for its Toka Ebisu festival.



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Business hours may vary depending on the season.

### Shinkoji Temple

This temple contains the Goro-in Sekito monument, and is a temple dedicated to Ippen, the founder of the Jishu Sect of Buddhism.

● 9:00-17:00

☎ (078) 671-1958

### Mitsubishi Shrine

This shrine's name means "Three Stores" and there are many stories regarding its origin. One is that the Empress Jingu (2nd Century) used three stones to fortell the future. Another is that she prayed to three stones for a safe delivery. Yet another is that there were three stones set in place for a portable shrine to proceed across Wadamisaki.

☎ (078) 671-2531

### Wada Shrine

The shrine's large gate is an impressive sight. The shrine, which is called "Wadamiasan" by the locals, is a place of prayer for protection and safety in transit. In the shrine grounds there is a monument dedicated to Koda Hyoemon who made great contributions to the construction of the Hyogo Canal.

☎ (078) 652-1551

### Yakuzenji Temple

This temple of the Jishu Sect of Buddhism is said to have been founded by the 8th century priest, Gyoki. There is a legend which says that water from a spring in the temple grounds was used to cure the Emperor Godaigo's headache and this is how the temple got its name. In the temple grounds are the Kaya no Goshō Ato Ruins, where Taira Kiyomori imprisoned the Emperor Goshirakawa.

☎ (078) 671-1696

### Hyogo Canal - Shinkawa Canal

These two canals located in Wadamisaki are the largest

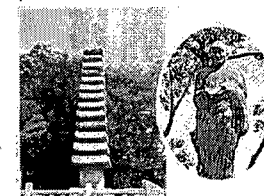
canals in Japan. Many ships in Wadamisaki took refuge in Shinkawa Canal in bad weather, and as a result many became buried under the silt, eventually blocking the canal. It was here that much of the ancient port of Owada no Tomari was discovered. Later in 1898, Hyogo Canal was constructed as a passage to Hyogo Tsu. This canal made huge contributions to the development of the local economy.

### Canal Promenade

The promenade is a 300m long path along the banks of the Shinkawa Canal. A wooden path and benches make this an ideal spot for enjoying the waterside atmosphere. There are panels which explain the history of the canals too.

### Kiyomori Zuka - Biwa Zuka

Kiyomori Zuka is a 13-tier stone monument which, according to the chronicles "Azuma Kagami", is where Kiyomori's grave lies. However, research carried out in 1924, revealed that this is not the location of Kiyomori's grave. Beside Kiyomori Zuka you will find a statue of Kiyomori and Biwa Zuka and a stone tablet inscribed with a poem all of which make the area closely related to the past.



### Yanagihara Ebisu Shrine

This Ebisu shrine is popularly known as "Hyogo Ebisu-san". On January 10 and the days before and after it, the "Toka Ebisu" festival is held. Stalls line

the street leading up to the shrine and the area is crammed with people coming to pray. In the past, the shrine was on the old Saigoku Highway. On the side of the road on the northeast of the shrine grounds, is the remains of Hyogo Nishi Somon, a gate on this historical highway.

☎ (078) 651-0183

### Nohjukoji Temple (Hyogo Daibutsu)

The Great Buddha statue of the temple known as "Hyogo no Daibutsu" stands tall at 11m. The original great Buddha statue was built in the Meiji era, but the metal used for it was confiscated during World War II. The present statue was rebuilt in 1991. In the temple grounds are Taira Kiyomori's grave and a monument in memory of the Kobe Incident when Taki Zensaburo, a samurai of the Bizen Clan, committed ritual suicide.

● 9:00 - 17:00

☎ (078) 652-1715

### HOME'S STADIUM KOBÉ

This stadium has a natural grass ground and was where hard fought games took place during the 2002 FIFA World Cup. Since April 2003, the stadium has become the home of Vissel Kobe, Kobe's soccer team. It also boasts a panoramic restaurant, a heated swimming pool and a gym.

☎ (078) 652-5656

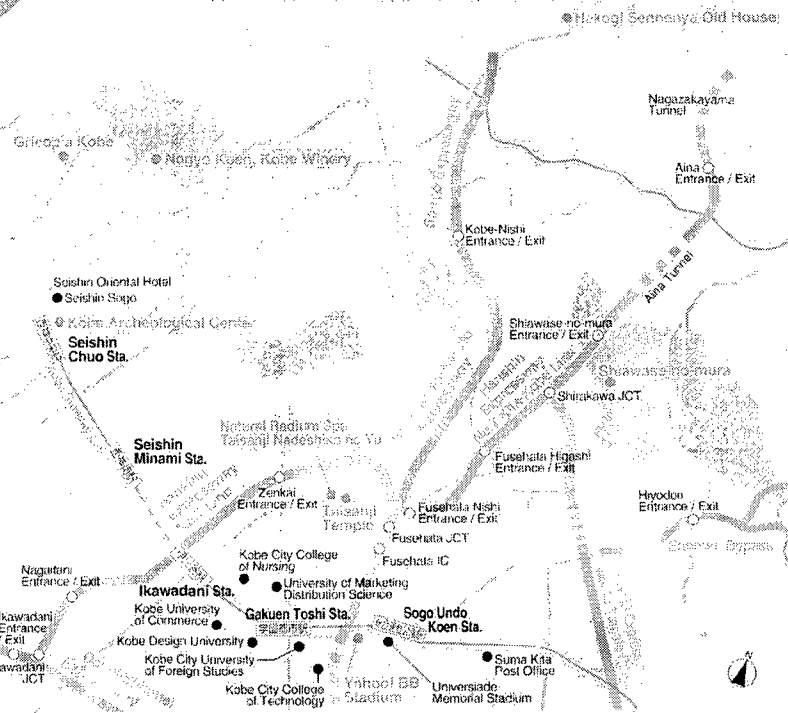
5-minute walk from the Misaki-Koen subway station





# Seishin (West Kobe) - Hokushin (North Kobe)

To Fruit & Flower Park  
Kirin Beer Kobe Brewery  
Arima Hot Springs



Come relax in pastoral Northern and Western Kobe, where there are a plethora of entertainment areas surrounded in a rich natural environment. In these areas, you can play sports, eat gourmet food, experience Kobe's local culture, and enjoy a wealth of other activities.

You can reach Kobe Sports Park, the location of Yahoo! BB Stadium, a huge gymnasium and other sports facilities, by the Yamate Subway Line from Sannomiya. You can also visit the Kobe Archeological Center well known for its unique exhibitions, near Seishin Chuo Station.

To enjoy the bounties of nature, go a little further from the city to the Fruit & Flower Park or Kobe Winery.

Head to Shiawase no Mura for a healthy and active day of sports. The Kirin Brewery Kobe and Glicopia Kobe introduce the products and history of each respective company, and will provide you with a day of fun.

You can also see another side of Kobe by visiting Taisanji Temple, with its beautiful natural setting.

## DESTINATION GUIDE

Business hours may vary depending on the season.

### Sky Mark Stadium

This major league baseball stadium is covered with lush natural grass. The Orix Buffaloes is proud to have it as its home stadium.

Baseball Games ¥1,300 - (Children ¥500 -)  
☎ (078)795-5589

### Kobe Archeological Center

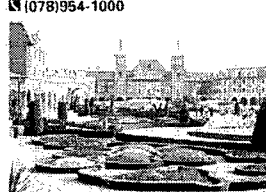
Exhibits items excavated from archaeological sites around the city. Through glass panel displays, you can see how excavations are carried out and how artifacts are sorted. There is also a reconstructed stone chamber of an ancient tomb mound in the grounds outside.

Free  
9:00 - 17:00 (Closed Mondays)  
☎ (078)992-0656

### Fruit & Flower Park

This is a multi-purpose park with the theme of fruits and flowers. Besides having a look at the displays in the Fruit & Flower Museum and the Beef Museum, you can also go apple and grape picking in the fruit garden. There is also a bath house, a fairground and other entertainment facilities.

¥500 (Children ¥250)  
9:00 - 17:00 (Restaurant open until 21:00, Bath House 6:00 - 9:00, 12:00 - 23:00) There will be holidays during winter for facility inspection.  
☎ (078)954-1000



### Municipal Kobe Winery

This is the winery that produces Kobe Wine.

You can see the vineyards where the grapes are grown

and observe the wine-making process, as well as taste Kobe Wine free of charge. There is also a barbecue corner where you can enjoy a barbecue.

Admission and car park free of charge  
9:00 - 17:00 No holidays (The park may be closed in February for maintenance)  
☎ (078)991-3911

### Shiawase no Mura

This is a recreation and welfare center located in a green and hilly area of Kobe. There are a variety of sports and health facilities: a campsite, accommodation facilities, tennis courts, and a horse park. The hot springs are also very popular.

Free (Hot Springs ¥800) (Children under junior high school age ¥400, Combination ticket for swimming pool available)  
10:00 - 21:00 (Hot springs business hours)  
☎ (078)743-8000

### Kirin Beer Kobe Brewery

A guide service is provided from an explanation of the beer brewing process to beer tasting. A free shuttle bus in the shape of a beer can runs between the JR and Kobe Dentetsu Sanda Stations and the brewery.

Free (reservation required for four guide)  
9:30 - 17:00 (Tour check-in 9:30-15:40) Closed on Mondays (Open if it is a national holiday)  
☎ (078)986-8001

### Glicopia Kobe

Here you can see how the company's popular "Pocky" and "Pretz" snacks are made. There is also an original 3D animation show, and a display of about 2,500 free prizes given with the company's confectioneries. Advanced reservations are required.

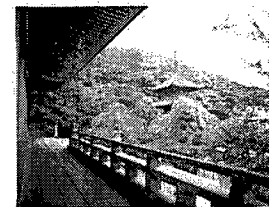
Free  
9:00 - 17:00 Guided tours given on the hour, Closed on Fridays

☎ (078)991-3693

### Taisanji Temple

This is a temple of the Tendai sect of Buddhism which was founded in the Nara era. The main temple building, Tendai Garan, is a Designated National Treasure, and the Nio-mon Gate and three-storied pagoda are Designated Important Cultural Treasures. Visiting the temple during the cherry blossom and autumn maple seasons is recommended.

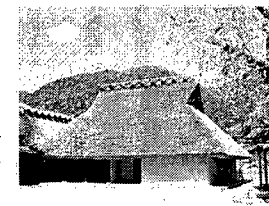
¥300  
8:30 - 17:00 (December - February - 16:30)  
☎ (078)976-6658



### Hakogi Sannonyo House

This residence of a powerful family in the Muromachi era is a dignified structure and is one of the oldest private residences in Japan. It is a Designated Important National Cultural Asset.

Adults ¥300 Elementary & Junior High School students ¥150  
March - October 9:00 - 18:00, November - February 9:00 - 17:00, Closed Dec. 29 - Jan. 1  
☎ 078-581-1740



# Shopping

## Sannomiya - Shin-Kobe Station Area

Around Sannomiya Station there are many department stores and fashion stores such as Sogo, Sannomiya OPA, Kobe Marui, MINT Kobe. Adjacent to the Shinkansen Shin-Kobe Station is the mall, Shin-Kobe Avenue.

## Sannomiya Center-gai Shopping Street

Kobe's largest all-weather shopping arcade stretches 550m between Sannomiya and Motomachi. Besides the multi-store and tenant complexes Sun Plaza and Center Plaza there are also many restaurants, boutiques and general item stores. To the south, you can also shop at Sannomiya Hondori Shopping Street or Santica, an underground shopping area near Sannomiya Station.



## Old Foreign Settlement

With Daimaru Department Store as a landmark, you will find many international brands boutiques in the area nearby. There is a comfortable blend of the retro and the modern in this unique shopping district.

■ 5-minute walk south from JR / Hanshin Motomachi, Near Subway Kyu Kyoryuchi - Daimaru

## Motomachi Shopping Street

Many shops here have been run by the same family for generations, and they helped establish Western culture in the area after the opening of the Port of Kobe. Lining the shopping street are Western restaurants, Western and Japanese confectionery shops, tailors, and accessory shops. The glass art entrance is a landmark of Motomachi.

■ Near JR / Hanshin Motomachi  
■ 078-391-0831 (Motomachi Shopping Street Association)



## Harborland P1, P12

■ Near JR Kobe Station, Subway Harborland Station

## Tor Road P7, P8

■ Near JR / Hanshin Motomachi

## Tor West

Tor West is situated west of Tor Road. This trendy fashion area is popular among Kobe's young people. Along a labyrinth of narrow streets you will find stores displaying the personal tastes of their owners, especially stores dealing in vintage clothes and accessories, and imported goods.

■ 3-minute walk northeast from JR Motomachi

Kobe is a shopping paradise. Whether it's one of Kobe's famous department stores or the shops that line the harbor, you'll find everything you need. From the latest fashion to the finest food, Kobe has it all.

## Kokashita Shopping Street

Piazza Kobe which stretches from Sannomiya to Motomachi is a 400m-long shopping arcade under the railway lines. The arcade is famous for its unique and numerous shoe stores and its casual goods stores. Between Motomachi and Kobe Stations, is an arcade popularly known as Motoko Town. You can find almost any kind of shop here from trendy boutiques to stores dealing in used electrical goods and second-hand books.

■ All railway lines Sannomiya - Motomachi - Kobe

## Marine Pia Kobe

Kobe's first major outlet complex, Mitsui Outlet Park is set in Marine Pia Kobe which lies next to the Akashi Kaikyo Bridge. The factory outlet East and West is very popular, and here you can find stores selling famous brand name fashion, sportswear and outdoor goods. There is also a restaurant mall.

■ 10-minute walk from JR / Senyo Tarumi  
■ 078-709-4466



## Kobe Shinsen Ichiba Market

The market and shopping streets around Minatogawa Park have come together to create a huge marketplace where you can buy fresh, tasty and cheap food. In the 500 shops you can buy fresh foodstuffs, and almost anything you need for daily living, clothing, and household goods. The market area grew during post-World War II reconstruction and while keeping its old-style look, it has kept the local everyday culture alive.

■ Kobe Kosoku / Kobe Electric Railway Shin-kaichi, Subway Minatogawa Koen

## Kobe-Sanda Premium Outlets

Leisurely and luxurious shopping of first-class world brands will be possible in this unique atmosphere created in the image of a high class residential area of a suburb in LA. It is an inescapable new famous spot for driving, dating or dropping-in while traveling.

■ 20 min. by bus from Kobe Electric Railway Sanda Station

# Kobe's Special Products

## Kobe Beef

Soft and pleasant to the tongue with an equally pleasing taste and aroma creates the characteristic flavor of Kobe beef. Its taste has captivated gourmets all over the world.



## Nada Sake (Sake)



Kobe is blessed with rice, water and the cold wind that rolls down from Mt. Rokko. These factors unique to the location have made it possible

for the Nada sake breweries to produce 30% of the nation's sake. There are large, medium and small breweries, each brewery producing its own particular flavor.

## Kobe Wine

Grapes harvested in the Nishi and Kita Wards are brought to the Municipal Kobe Winery where Kobe Wine is produced. There are three kinds: Rose, White (sweet and dry) and Red, with a new product put on the market every year. This wine has a fruity flavor making it suitable for Western and Japanese dishes, and beef, in particular.



## Confectioneries

Since the early 1900s, confectionary and cake makers from all over the world and their Japanese colleagues have continued to develop original Kobe sweets through their creative efforts and skill.



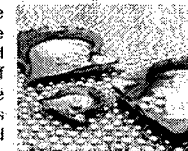
## Bread

It is said that Kobe people consume more bread than people in any other city in Japan. This is an indication of how particular Kobe people are about bread and how bread shops must satisfy these needs by baking the best bread with the finest ingredients and best baking techniques. From heavy German brown bread, to a smart-looking baguette or a well-kneaded loaf, even the most casual item is made with the finest skill of Kobe's bakers. You can be sure to find bread to suit your taste.



## Pearls

Kobe began handling pearls after the opening of the port to foreign trade in the middle of the Meiji era. The sun that peaks over Mt. Rokko towards the north is an ideal source of steady light needed for the delicate work of pearl processing. Kobe handles 80% of Japan's pearl processing and distribution and is the world's largest pearl distribution center.



## Arima Doll Brushes

A miniature doll appears out of the top of the brush's handle, but is hidden when the brush is laid down. The traditional craftsmanship, bright colors and unique designs make these brushes very popular.



## Arima Baskets

Made according to the preferences of tea ceremony master, Sen-no-Rikyū, the bamboo craftwork is made with grace and refinement. Along with the doll brush, it is one of Arima's traditional crafts.



## Sightseeing Index 1

**Kobe Science Museum**

This museum boasts one of Japan's largest planetarium domes with a diameter of 20m and a linear motor car on permanent display. Here you can have fun learning about science interactively.

❑ Adults ¥600, Children ¥300 (Exhibit rooms)

● Monday ~ Thursday 9:30-16:30 (Friday ~ Monday, national holidays, spring and summer vacations 9:30-19:00)

Admission until 30 minutes before closing time. (Closed Wednesdays. No holidays during spring and summer vacations)

☎ (078)302-5177 MAP P.13

**UCC Coffee Museum**

At the UCC Coffee Museum, you have a chance to learn about the secrets of coffee through exhibitions on "Origin", "Cultivation", "Distribution", "Culture" and "Production" and "Information".

❑ ¥210 (Elementary, Junior High School Students ¥100)

● 10:00 ~ 17:00 (Closed Mondays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)

☎ (078)302-8880

MAP P.13

**Takenaka Carpentry Tool Museum**

On display are traditional Japanese carpentry tools used for generations in the construction of Japan's unique and beautiful wooden buildings, which have a 2000-year old history. 2,000 items spanning from the Stone Age to the present day are exhibited.

❑ Adults ¥300 (University & High School Students ¥200, Elementary & Junior High School Students ¥100)

● 9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed Mondays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.) ☎ (078)242-0216 MAP P.10

**Hakutsuru Art Museum**

A world-class collection of Classical Chinese and Japanese art and Japan's first Oriental Carpet permanent exhibition are exhibited here.

❑ Adults ¥800, University & High School Students ¥500, Junior High and Elementary School Students ¥250

● 10:00 ~ 16:30 (Open only mid-March ~ end-June and early-September ~ end-November.) (Closed Mondays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.) ☎ (078)-851-6001 MAP P.15

**Kobe Water Science Museum**

With the themes of "Water and Living" and "The Wonders of Water", you can learn interactively about the importance that water has in our lives. The building is a marvelous structure in the German Renaissance style, and uses the stone roof of an early 20th century water purification plant.

❑ Adults ¥200

Children (Under 18-years) ¥100

● 9:30 ~ 16:30 (Closed Mondays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)

☎ (078)351-4488 MAP P.10

**Kobe Lamp Museum**

This museum has a fine collection of lamps used before the advent of electricity. On display are Japanese lamps, hanging lamps, Western and Japanese oil lamps and various kinds of candlesticks.

❑ Adults ¥400, Children ¥200

● 10:00 ~ 17:00

(Closed Mondays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)

☎ (078)333-5310 MAP P.9

**Kobe Doll Museum**

Antique and mechanical dolls from all over the world are collected here. Exhibits are systematically arranged to introduce the culture and history of the dolls. There are valuable dollhouse items in the museum shop.

❑ Adults ¥500, Children ¥400

● 10:00 ~ 19:00 (Closed Wednesdays. If it is a national holiday, closed the following day.)

☎ (078)327-4680 MAP P.9

**Kosetsu Museum**

Displayed here are paintings, calligraphy, Buddhist art objects and tea ceremony items from the collection of Murayama Ryouhei (Kosetsu), founder of the Asahi Newspaper. Also displayed here are 18 items designated as Important National Cultural Assets.

❑ Adults ¥700, Junior & Senior High and University Students ¥450, Elementary School Students ¥250

● 10:00 ~ 17:00 (Open only spring and autumn exhibitions) ☎ (078)-841-0652 MAP P.15



## Sightseeing Index 2

## Night Views

Kobe is famous for its "10 million dollar night views". There are a number of locations around the Mt. Rokko range that provide a magnificent view.

**Mt. Rokko - Mt. Maya**

Stretching along the north of the city is the Mt. Rokko range with mountains 500 ~ 930m high. Ideal spots for a night view are the Rokko Garden Terrace, the Tenrandai Observatory near the Rokko Cable "Rokkosanjo Station", and the Hachimaki Observatory along the Omote Rokko Driveway. From these spots you can see Kobe's "10 million dollar night view".

Also, Mt. Maya, rich in history, with its summit still abundant in nature, is an excellent point for a panoramic view that stretches as far as Osaka. For convenient access use the Maya View Line (Maya Ropeway & Cable Car). MAP P.17

**Kobe Nunobiki Herb Garden**

If you visit the garden during evening hours, be sure to wait until sunset. From the observatory, you will see the city below twinkling in the dimming light.

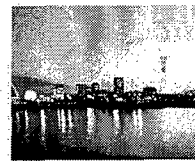
A night view from the Shin Kobe Ropeway is also recommended.

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**Port of Kobe**

The contrast of the striking red of Kobe Port Tower and the white sail-like design of the Kobe Maritime Museum creates an beautiful scene. Together with the lights of Harbortland, this is one of Kobe's best nightspots. A view of Kobe from the sea is also something special.

MAP P.11

**Kita Park (Port Island)**

The park is located at the northern end of Port Island at the foot of the crimson Kobe Ohashi Bridge.

The spot offers a beautiful view of the port from the sea. In the park you can also see the "Minato Jinjan" (old Western-style house).

❑ Port Liner "Naka Koen"

**Kobe City Hall Observation Lobby**

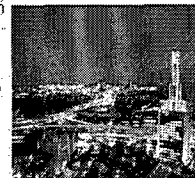
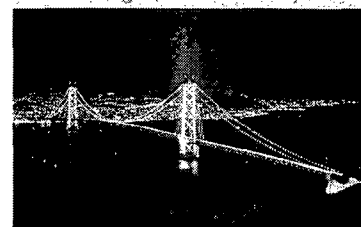
For a convenient spot to glimpse a romantic night view of the port and city, the Observation Lobby on the 24th floor of City Hall Building No.1 is perfect.

● 10:00 ~ 21:00

(Weekdays 8:15 ~)

☎ (078)331-8181

MAP P.9

**Pearl Bridge (Akashi Kaikyo Bridge)**

1092 red, blue and green lights on the bridge's cables blend to create a rainbow of colors. On weekdays the bridge is lit up in the colors of the seasons; on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays it is green-blue, and there are special patterns that change for event days. The bridge is a must-see when lit up in a rainbow color on the hour, and a jewel color on the half-hour.

● From sunset until 24:00 MAP P.23



## Sightseeing Index 3

## Shrines and Temples

With its many shrines and temples interspersed throughout the city, there is much of the old flavor of Japanese culture.

## Ikuta Shrine

The Shrine's vermillion gates standing in the middle of the downtown area is an impressive sight. The shrine, which houses the god to protect the city, has many devotees and has been made immortal by the poems of Sei Shonagon and Ueda Akinari. It also appears in the ancient text "Nihon Shoki" (720) which is an indicator of how old it is. To the rear of the shrine is Ikuta Wood, rich in greenery and a favorite spot among locals for relaxing. Open to visitors.

■ 5-minute walk from JR Sannomiya, Other lines Sannomiya  
☎ 078-321-3851

## Minatogawa Shrine

There is a shrine dedicated to the famous warrior Kusunoki Masashige (1294-1336), popularly known as "Nanko-san". The shrine houses Kusunoki Masashige's gravestone with an inscription by Mito Mitsukuni. On display in the shrine's Treasure Museum are paintings, armor and other items related to Kusunoki Masashige. Open to visitors.

■ (Treasure Museum) Adults ¥300, High School & University Students ¥200, Junior High School & Elementary School Children ¥100  
● (Treasure Museum) 9:30-16:30 (Closed Thursdays)  
■ 3-minute walk from JR Kobe, Near to Hankyu, Hanshin, Sanyo Kosoku Kobe  
☎ 078-371-0001

## Nagata Shrine

Commonly referred to as "Nagata-san", this shrine has over 1800 years of history. It is familiarly known among shopkeepers, factory owners, and other business people of Kobe as the guardian of businesses, the bearer of good fortune and the protector from disaster and illness.

■ 7-minute walk from Kobe Kosoku Nagata, Subway Nagata Jinja Mae  
☎ 078-691-0333

## Other Shrines and Temples

Onsenji Temple (Arima Onsen P.20)  
Taisanji Temple (Seishin - Hokushin P.26)  
Sumadera Temple (Suna - Maiko P.23)  
Mt. Maya Tenjoji Temple (Rokko - Maya P.18)  
Shinkoji Temple/Nohfukuji Temple (Hyogo Daibutsu)/Yakuzenji Temple/Yanagihara Ebisu Shrine/Wada Shrine (Hyogo Tsu no Michi P.22)

## Visit the Seven Gods of Good Fortune

The Seven Gods of Good Fortune are a group of gods from India, China and Japan who bring fortune, longevity and good luck to those who worship them. However, their purpose is not only to answer the prayers of individuals but provide peace throughout the world and prosperity and happiness to all people. People pray to them so that they may obtain the various blessings of respect, integrity, prestige, charm, happiness, riches and longevity. At the following shrines and temples, you can receive the blessing of the Seven God of Good Fortune.

## Nagata Shrine ☎ 078-691-0333

3-minute walk from subway Nagata (Nagata Jinja Mae)  
8-minute walk from Hankyu, Hanshin, Sanyo Kosoku Nagata.

## Dairyuji Temple (Mt. Futatabi) ☎ 078-341-3482

No. 25 Bus from Sannomiya to Dairyuji (in service on Sat, Sun & National Holidays only)

## Minatogawa Shrine ☎ 078-371-0001

3-minute walk from JR Kobe;  
Near Hankyu, Hanshin, Sanyo Kosoku Kobe

## Ikuta Shrine ☎ 078-321-3851

5-minute walk from JR Sannomiya  
and all other lines Sannomiya

## Sumadera Temple ☎ 078-731-0416

5-minute walk from Sanyo Sumadera, 13-minute walk from JR Suna

## Nenbutsuji Temple (Arima Onsen)

☎ 078-904-0414  
5-minute walk from Kobe Electric Railway Arima Onsen

## Tenjoji Temple (Mt. Maya) ☎ 078-861-2684

7-minute walk from Maya View Line Hoshinoeki (summit station)

## Sightseeing in Himeji



Himeji Castle, also referred to as the White Heron Castle, is one of the

most magnificent and beautiful castles in Japan. Ikeda Terumasa spent 8 years from 1601 building this castle. Its beauty and scale are awe-inspiring and it has remained standing since the Civil War Period (1490-1600). The Main Tower and eight smaller towers are registered as national treasures. And the castle has been designated as a World Heritage Site. The adjacent Koko-en garden is a spacious 33,000 m<sup>2</sup> garden that uses Himeji castle as a backdrop, creating a historical atmosphere.

■ 40 min by JR from Sannomiya, 26 min by Shinkansen from Shin-Kobe

## Sightseeing in Kyoto



The ancient capital of Kyoto is one of Japan's most famous sightseeing spots and a place every visitor to Japan should visit. The city was the capital of the country from 794 until 1868 and is today the center of Japanese culture. The city boasts 14 World Heritage sites including Kiyomizu Temple, the Golden Pavilion, and Nijo Castle. In fact, you can experience traditional Japanese culture throughout the whole city. Tea ceremony and Noh drama originated here.

## Introduction to Other Areas

## Sightseeing in Nara

Nara is famous for the Great Buddha statue and the Mizutori of Todaiji Temple as well as Kasuga Grand Shrine, Kofukuji Temple, and Horyuji Temple, all of which are designated World Heritage Sites. If you are willing to go a bit out of your way, you can visit Asuka-mura where you will find the Takamatsu Kofun burial mound. Along the paths in the hills you can discover the roots of Japan.



## Sightseeing in Osaka

Osaka is Japan's second largest city and a center of business vital to Japan's economy. There are also many tourist sites such as Osaka Castle which dates from the 16th century. Today, Osaka is a center of youth fashion in western Japan, making it an ideal place for shopping. On Osaka's waterfront, the Hollywood Movie Theme park™, Universal Studios Japan™, is not only popular among Japanese people, but has many visitors from overseas as well.



## Kobe Event Calendar

**2 Arima Hot Springs Irizome Shiki**  
(Arima Hot Springs Irizome Shiki)  
A ceremony dating from the Edo period to pray for the success of Arima Hot Springs.  
(City designated regional intangible cultural asset)

**9-11 Toka Ebisu Taisai**  
(Toka Ebisu Taisai)  
A grand festival spanning three days (9th) Yoi-bisu, (10th) Honebisu, (11th) Nokorifuku, during which participants try to gain good fortune.

**14 Kuruma Otoshi Shrine Okina-mai**  
(Kuruma Otoshi Shrine Okina-mai)  
"Ogi" (Fani), the source of Noh, is performed at this festival. (Designated Hyogo Pref. Important Folkloric Treasure)

**17 The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake-1.17 no Tsudoi**  
(The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake-1.17 no Tsudoi)  
An event held every at the 1.17 Kibo in Akari in Higashi Yuenchi Park, and local areas and cities to pass on the kindness and compassion gained through the earthquake experience.

**18-20 Yakuyoke Taisai**  
(Yakuyoke Taisai)  
One of the few Yakuyoke Taisai festivals in the prefecture. Over 300,000 people come to the shrine during the festival season.

**Kobe Nankin-machi Chinese New Year Festival**  
(Kobe Nankin-machi Chinese New Year Festival)  
A festival celebrating the traditional Chinese New Year. Various events such as a lion dance, dragon dance and a parade of Chinese historical figures are held creating a rich exotic mood.

**Mt. Rokko Ice Festival**  
(Mt. Rokko Ice Festival)  
An ice sculpture contest is held, and the contrast of the crystal light of the ice and night view is beautiful.

## February

**3 Classical Ceremony - Tsuina-shiki**  
(Classical Ceremony - Tsuina-shiki)  
This is a traditional event that has continued since the Muromachi period (1333-1573). 7 demons used by the gods hold burning firebrands and dance vigorously, praying for protection from disaster and illness, and for safety in the home. (Designated Hyogo Pref. Folkloric Treasure)

**17 Ogo Hachiman Shrine - Oyumishinji**  
(Ogo Hachiman Shrine - Oyumishinji)  
An event at the beginning of the year to pray for a rich harvest. 4 archers shoot at a huge target where demons are enclosed. (Designated Hyogo Pref. Folkloric Treasure)

## March

**Early Mar - Early May Sake Breweries of Nada Stamp Rally**  
(Sake Breweries of Nada Stamp Rally)  
Visit sake museums, art museums, the zoo and other facilities and have your application card stamped. After filling up your card, send it in to receive a wonderful present.

## April

**Late early May Infiorata Kobe**  
(Infiorata Kobe)  
"Infiorata" is an Italian word which means "to lay flowers out". Tulip petals are laid out on roads and squares to create huge pictures.

**Early Late Danjiri Festival**  
(Danjiri Festival)  
In local neighborhoods in the Nada area, decorated floats are carried on the shoulders of participants wearing colorful 'happi', or pulled on carts to the animated sound of traditional 'hayashi' music of bells and drums.

**Early May Suma Grand Tea Ceremony**  
(Suma Grand Tea Ceremony)  
The Omote Senke and Ura Senke schools of tea ceremony host this grand tea ceremony under the fresh green foliage of Sumadera Temple every year. (Fee charged)

**2nd weekend Kobe Festival (Kobe Matsuri)**  
(Kobe Festival (Kobe Matsuri))  
A parades and samba festival are held throughout the city. The whole city bursts into a festive mood.

## June

**1st Sun. Mt. Rokko Groom Festival**  
(Mt. Rokko Groom Festival)  
A festival to celebrate the achievements of the Englishman, Arthur Hesketh Groom (1846-1918) who opened and developed the peak of Mt. Rokko and to pray for safety on the mountain during the summer season.

**Mid June Sara flowers and one-string koto recital**  
(Sara flowers and one-string koto recital)  
A festival to celebrate the achievements of the Englishman, Arthur Hesketh Groom (1846-1918) who opened and developed the peak of Mt. Rokko and to pray for safety on the mountain during the summer season.

## July

**3rd Sun. (Before After) Minato Festival - Boat Tengoku**  
(Minato Festival - Boat Tengoku)  
This festival features a garage sale, international food stalls, boat tours, and hands-on learning activities for sea navigation.

For a variety of other events held in Kobe, visit Weekly Kobe Fair (in Japanese or English) at <http://www.city.kobe.jp/tourism/> Kobe Event Calendar

**Last Tue. Motomachi Night Market**  
(Motomachi Night Market)  
Summer and the Motomachi Night Market go hand-in-hand. In this event, food stalls line both sides of the 1.2km arcade that stretches from 1-bangai to 6-chome.

**Late July Samba Festa Kobe**  
(Samba Festa Kobe)  
Samba teams nationwide will present a flamboyant Samba Show.

**Late July Arima Ryofu Kawa Zashiki**  
(Arima Ryofu Kawa Zashiki)  
Open-air platforms are built on the riverbanks. Come enjoy a meal, Japanese dances, and shamisen music played by 'gaiko' performers.

## August

**1st Sat. Minato Kobe Fireworks Festival**  
(Minato Kobe Fireworks Festival)  
Fireworks are shot up into the night sky in front of Meriken Park, lighting up the Port of Kobe in summer colors.

**8 Shiman-rokusen-nichi Taisai (Hoshi kudari-e-shiki / Man-to-e)**  
(Shiman-rokusen-nichi Taisai)  
It is said that on this day stars from the heavens come down towards Kannon (the Goddess of Mercy), bringing happiness and protection from disaster. Also on this day, one can receive the blessings of Kannon.

**Mid Kobe Seaside Bon Dance**  
(Kobe Seaside Bon Dance)  
A Bon dance festival held on the waterfront at Meriken Park. Also popular is the "International Bon Dance Contest" in which Kobe's non-Japanese residents take part.

## September

**Mid late Kobe Nankin-machi Mid-Autumn Festival**  
(Kobe Nankin-machi Mid-Autumn Festival)  
The Mid-Autumn Festival is a traditional Chinese festival in which there is a lion dance and other events. Local gods are worshipped in the Nankin-machi square and in storefront areas.

## October

**Early Kobe Tourism Day, Kobe Tourism Week**  
(Kobe Tourism Day, Kobe Tourism Week)  
Throughout the city. During Kobe Tourism Week many facilities will be open for free and there will be many events so that many people can enjoy tourism in Kobe.

**Early Motomachi Music Week**  
(Motomachi Music Week)  
This is a music event held around Motomachi and the surrounding area, where Western clothing, coffee, and Western culture were introduced to Kobe and Japan. Many music performances from a variety of genres are held on the street and in concert halls.

**Mid Kobe Jazz Street**  
(Kobe Jazz Street)  
Here in Kobe, the birthplace of Japanese jazz, you can enjoy live jazz performances in many different spots throughout Kobe Jazz Street. (Fee charged)

**2nd Sun. Rokujo Hachimangu Shrine Yabusame-shinji**  
(Rokujo Hachimangu Shrine Yabusame-shinji)  
This festival features archers shooting arrows at their targets while on horseback. (Designated City Cultural Treasure)

**12 Tarumi Kai Shrine kajo-Togyosai**  
(Tarumi Kai Shrine kajo-Togyosai)  
A mikoshi (portable shrine) is placed on a boat and together with ten accompanying boats to protect it, sails east to the Port of Kobe and west to Maiko.

**Oct.20 Nov.23 Kobe Chrysanthemum Exhibition**  
(Kobe Chrysanthemum Exhibition)  
More than 2,500 chrysanthemums are collected from around Hyogo Prefecture. You can view an assortment of displays from bonsai to a large variety of chrysanthemums. (Fee charged.)

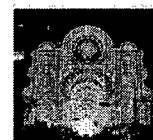
## November

**2-3 Arima Grand Tea Ceremony**  
(Arima Grand Tea Ceremony)  
An event held every year in memory of Toyotomi Hideyoshi who loved Arima Hot Springs. The beauty of the maple leaves of Zuiho-ji Park add to the atmosphere of the ceremony. (Fee charged)

## December

**Dec.1 Mar.31 Kobe Romantic Fair**  
(Kobe Romantic Fair)  
The magnificent sculpture in light "Kobe Luminarie", the gorgeous illumination of Kobe Harborland, the exotic Nankinmachi (China Town) with its Chinese lanterns and luminous dragon, the exotic atmosphere of Kitano with its old foreign houses and the old foreign settlement lit up, the Mt. Rokko Ice Festival and the Maya Viewline with its night scene ride show the city of light, Kobe, shining romantically.

**Early Mid Kobe Luminarie**  
(Kobe Luminarie)  
This "Light Sculpture" is a requiem for the victims of The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake and a prayer for the recovery of the city. Kobe is embraced in warm light.



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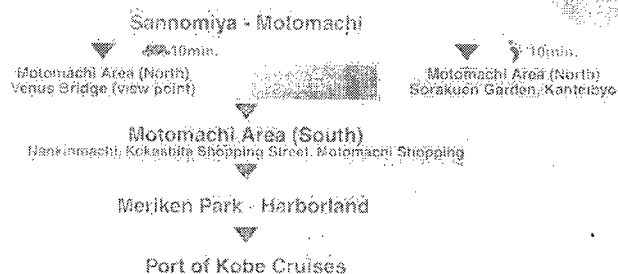
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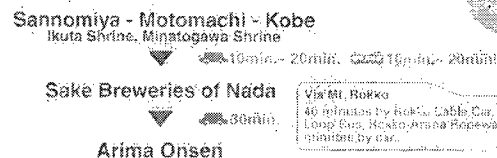
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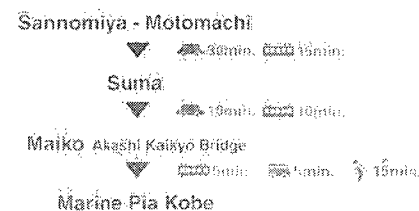
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The Seasons of Kobe Course  
(Cherry Blossoms - Autumn Maples) Scenery

**Destinations** Mt. Rokko, Arima Onsen P.17-P.19



## Memorial Sites of the Hashin-Awaji Earthquake Course

**Destinations:** Sannomiyu, Motomachi, HAT, Kobe, Awaji Island, R9-E11-P14



Hokudan eno Earthquake Memorial Park

The National Endowment for the Humanities and designated by the government as a national cultural memorial site can do much in a school after the earthquake. The display should be in place from now on with an ever-increasing enthusiasm.

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Sumakankohouse Ajitoyado Kagetsu	078-731-3751	Kobe Luminous Hotel	078-511-7700
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<b>Maiko</b>		<b>Nagata</b>	
Maiko Hotel	078-782-1155	Hotel Suave Kobe Asuta	078-646-2411
Seaside Hotel Maiko Villa Kobe	078-706-3711	<b>Kit. Rokko / Mt. Maya</b>	
<b>Shin-Kobe / Kitano</b>		Rokkosan Hotel	078-891-0301
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Green Hill Hotel Kobe	078-222-0909	Hotel Plaza Kobe	078-846-5400
Green Hill Hotel Urban	078-222-1221	<b>Suma Hot Springs</b>	
Kobe Kitano Hotel	078-271-3711	Arima Gyoen	078-904-3737
Hotel Isago Kobe	078-241-0135	Arima Grand Hotel	078-904-0181
Hotel Kitano Plaza Rokkoso	078-241-2451	Arima View Hotel	078-904-2295
Holiday Inn Express Shin-Kobe	078-222-1212	Arima Royal Hotel	078-904-0541
<b>Sannomiya</b>		Okunobo	078-904-0035
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Kobe Union Hotel	078-242-3000	Kamiobou	078-904-0531
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Kitano Meister Garden	078-200-3607	Kobe Yukari no Bijutsukan Art Museum	078-858-1520
Kobe Nunobiki Herb Park / Shin-Kobe Ropeway	078-271-1160	<b>Suma Hot Springs</b>	
<b>Weather Cock House</b>	078-242-3223	Kin no Yu (Spa)	078-904-0680
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England House	078-241-2338	Arima Toys and Automata Museum	078-903-6971
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Yokan Nagaya	078-221-2177	Philatelic Culture Museum	078-904-0024
Original Holland House	078-242-2380	Arima Hot Spring Taiko-no-yu	078-904-2291
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Former Panama Consulate	078-271-5537	Suma Aqualife Park	078-731-7301
Kitano Foreigners Club	078-242-6458	Suma Rikyu Park	078-732-6688
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Yamate Hachibankan	078-222-0490	Sumadera Temple (Treasures Museum)	078-731-0416
Kaori-no-le Orandakan	078-261-3330	Suma Marine Fishing Park	078-735-2907
Kobe Kitano Museum	078-251-0581	Azur Maiko	078-706-2011
Platan Decorative Arts Museum	078-271-3346	Marine Pia Kobe (Sakana no Gakko)	078-706-5550
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Luminous Kobe 2	078-333-8414	Hakogi Sennenyu	078-581-1740
Concerto	078-360-5600	Fruit & Flower Park	078-954-1000
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Hanafukutsuru-Ginjo Brewery and Shop	078-411-0492	Kita Kobe Denen Sports Park	078-951-5901
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Sawanotsuru Sake Museum	078-882-7788	<b>Port Island</b>	
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Kobe Red Cross Hospital	078-231-8006
Kobe University Hospital	078-382-5111
Kobe Kaiiso Hospital	078-871-5201
Rokko Hospital	078-851-8558
Kohnan Hospital	078-851-2161
Rokko Island Hospital	078-858-1111
Kobe Eksaikai Hospital	078-781-7811
Kanebo Memorial Hospital	078-681-6111

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Domestic and international prepaid phone cards be purchased at convenience stores.

**When making a phone call from abroad to Japan (Kobe):**  
First dial the international phone call access number in your country, next the Country Code number for Japan (81), then the Area Code in Japan without the 0 (78 for Kobe).

### Bank

#### Business Hours of Major Banks

Counter: Monday to Friday 9:00~15:00  
A.T.M.: Monday to Friday 8:45~19:00  
Saturday and Sunday 9:00~17:00

### Foreign Exchange Services

Foreign exchange services, including traveler's checks cashing, are available at any bank and some post offices with the sign "Authorized Money Exchange". Please enquire first for foreign currencies other than U.S. dollars. Major hotels and department stores also handle foreign exchange, but they charge handling fees.

- Sumitomo, Mitsui Bank, Sannomiya Station Building, Foreign Exchange Corner 078-291-0070
- Tokyo Mitsubishi Bank, Kobe Branch 078-391-8141
- Citybank, N. A. 0120-039104

### Post

#### Post Office

The "〒" sign symbolizes a post office. Office hours are generally from 9:00 to 21:00 daily at the central post office, and from 9:00 to 17:00, Monday through Friday at local post offices. Post boxes in Japan are red and are marked with a "〒" and the word "post". Any shop or convenience store that has the "〒" sign sells stamps, postcards, etc. An English guide to the postal service system by telephone: TEL (06)6944-6245. Service hours: 9:30~16:30 (not available on Saturdays, Sundays and national holidays). There are 2 kinds of cash machines at post offices, CD (Cash Dispenser) machines where money can be withdrawn and ATM (Automated Teller Machine) where money can also be deposited. A cashing service for cards issued overseas is available at the 24,000 ATM machines in post offices around the country. This service is available from machines marked "International ATM Service".

#### Domestic Mail

¥50 for a postcard and ¥80 for a letter (up to 25g).

#### Overseas Mail

Postal rates for overseas mail vary with the type, weight, destination and type of service. Rates for Overseas Mail (example): ¥70 for an international postcard (to anywhere in the world) and ¥90 ~ ¥130 for an airmail letter (up to 25g).

### Miscellaneous Information

#### Religious Places

Cathedral Church of St. Michael's (Protestant)	078-371-0992
Kobe International Baptist Church (Protestant)	078-231-7187
Jain Temple	078-241-5895
Jewish Synagogue	078-221-7236
Kobe Eastern Orthodox Church	078-221-4925
Kobe Eiko Church (Protestant)	078-331-2286
Kobe Muslim Mosque	078-231-6060
Kobe Union Church (Protestant)	078-871-6844
Kobe Central Catholic Church	078-221-4682
St. Andrew's Church (at Kobe Mariners' Center)	078-331-1696

#### Youth Hostels

Hyogo Youth Hostel Association	078-360-3880
Kobe Tarumi Youth Hostel	078-707-2133
Kobe Kitano Youth Hostel	078-221-4712

### Other Information and International Centers

#### Kobe International Community Center (KICC)

- TEL 078-291-8441
- Hours: Monday to Saturday 10:00~20:00 (Office opens 10:00~12:00, 13:00~17:00)
- Languages: Always available: English, Chinese Days / Language: Monday - Korean Tuesday - Portuguese, Wednesday - Vietnamese Thursday - Spanish
- Closed: Sunday, public holidays

#### Hyogo International Plaza

- TEL 078-230-3060
- Hours: Monday to Friday 9:00~20:00 (rental rooms available until 21:00) Saturday 9:00~17:00
- Closed: Sunday, Public Holidays

#### CHIC (Community House & Information Center)

- TEL 078-857-6540
- Hours: 9:30~16:30 Monday ~ Friday
- Closed: Saturday, Sunday, Public holidays

### Tourist Information

#### Kobe City Information Center

- TEL 078-322-0220
- Address: Kotsu Center Bldg. (1st floor) 1-7 Sannomiya-cho Chuo-ku Kobe.
- Hours: 9:00~19:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)
- MAP P.9

#### Kitano Tourist Information Center

- JR Shinkobe Sta. Tourist Information Center
- TEL 078-241-9550
- Address: JR Shinkobe Station 2F 1-3-1 Kano-cho Chuo-ku Kobe
- Hours: 9:00~18:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)
- MAP P.7

#### Kitano Tourist Information Center

- TEL 078-251-8360
- Address: 3-10-20 Kitano-cho, Chuo-ku, Kobe
- Hours: Apr. ~ Nov.: 9:00 ~ 18:00 Dec. ~ Mar.: 9:00 ~ 17:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)
- MAP P.7

#### Arima Onsen Tourist Information Center

- TEL 078-904-0708
- Address: 790-3 Arima-cho Kita-ku Kobe
- Hours: 9:00~19:00 (No holidays, shorter business hours for year-end and New Year holiday season)
- MAP R.19

### Volunteer guides for foreign tourists (Language: English)

- Kobe Voluntary Goodwill Guides (KVGG) (Language: English)
- TEL 078-821-5456 (Ms. Imura)
- E-mail: [http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~ei5y-kbys/kobesggc/index.htm](mailto:078-821-5456@asahi-net.or.jp/~ei5y-kbys/kobesggc/index.htm)

### Kobe SGG Club (Kobe Student Guide Club)

- (Languages: English, German, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Chinese, Russian, Vietnamese)
- TEL 078-785-2898 (Ms. Hiraki)
- E-mail: <http://www.asahi-net.or.jp/~ei5y-kbys/kobesggc/index.htm>

### Kobe Student Guide (Language: English)

- E-mail: [ksg-ml@ml-b8.infosseek.co.jp](mailto:ksg-ml@ml-b8.infosseek.co.jp)
- E-mail: <http://www.geocities.co.jp/CollegeLife/3136/>

### Tourist Information Inquiries

- Tourism and Convention Division, Kobe City Government (Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)
- TEL 078-322-5339

### Kobe Convention and Visitors Association

- (Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)
- TEL 078-303-1010

### Hyogo Tourism Association

- (Closed: Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays)
- TEL 078-361-7661

### Information on the Internet

- Kobe Tourism Guide <http://feel-kobe.jp/>
- Kobe Tourism Weekly Information <http://www.city.kobe.jp/tourism/>
- Kobe City <http://www.city.kobe.jp/>
- Hyogo Tourism Guide <http://www.hyogo-tourism.jp/>
- Kansai Window <http://www.kippo.or.jp/>
- Kansai Concierge Site <http://www.my-concierge.org/kansai/index.htm>

### Kobe Welcome Coupon (For foreign travelers)

If you show the Welcome Coupon, you can receive the benefits shown in the Guidebook.

TEL 078-303-1010

#### Distribution Place

- Kobe City Information Center
- JR Railway Shinkobe Sta. Tourist Information Center
- Kitano Tourist Information Center
- Arima Onsen Tourist Information Center
- Kansai Tourist Information Center

## City Transport Information

### Railways

The following railway companies all provide service in Kobe: JR, Hankyu Railway, Hanshin Railway, Kobe City Subway, Kobe Kosoku Railway, Kobe Dentetsu Railway, Sanyo Dentetsu Railway, Hokushin Express Railway, Port Liner and Rokko Liner. For railway line details see P.3, P.4.

To use the train, first purchase your ticket at a ticket vending machine near the wicket gates in the station. Fares vary depending on the destination, so check the fare chart near the ticket vending machine before buying your ticket. Usually, tickets are inserted into slots in automatic wicket gates as you pass through them. You will not be able to exit without a ticket or if you have a ticket with an incorrect fare.

### Surutto Kansai

This is a useful card that can be used to ride on city buses, subways, and all private railway lines and buses (except JR) in the Kansai region. Simply insert the card into the ticket slot of the automatic wicket gates or card machine on buses as you would with any regular ticket. The card can be purchased at a ticket vending machines at any station in ¥1,000, ¥3,000 and ¥5,000 increments.

### J-Through Card

This is a useful card that can be used at JR West Japan stations and stations on the main lines of the Kintetsu Railway. Simply insert the card into the ticket slot of the automatic wicket gates at the station as you would with any regular ticket. ¥1,000, ¥3,000 and ¥5,000 cards are available.

### Portliner to Kobe Airport

From Portliner Sannomiya Station to Kobe Airport - 18 minutes. ¥320

### Ferry to Kansai International Airport (Kobe-Kanku Bay Shuttle)

From Kobe Airport to Kansai International Airport - 29 minutes. ¥1,500

### Buses to Itami Airport / Kansai International Airport

Limousine buses to Kansai International Airport and Itami Airport depart from Sannomiya and Rokko Island.

Fare:

●Sannomiya ~ Itami **MAP P.43**  
Adult ¥1,020, Child ¥510

(Trip takes: approx. 40 min)

●Sannomiya ~ Kansai International Airport  
Adult ¥1,800, Child ¥900

(Trip takes: approx. 65 min)

●Rokko Island ~ Kansai International Airport (Reservation)  
Adult ¥1,650, Child ¥830

(Trip takes(Sannomiya ~ Rokko Island ~ Kansai International Airport: approx 75 min)

### City Loop Bus **MAP P.44**

### Arima Loop Bus

The Arima Loop Bus is very convenient for sightseeing around Arima. A trip around Arima takes about 25 min. One ride is ¥100 for adults and ¥50 children.

### Kobe City Regular Sightseeing Bus Tours

There are morning and afternoon tours to the Jjinkan, Mt. Rokko, Akashi Kaikyo Bridge, and Port of Kobe. Between spring and fall, there are also courses where you can enjoy beautiful night views from Mt. Rokko (Fri. Sat. Sun, national holidays only). Tour guide announcements are in Japanese only. For information: Shinki Bus Reservation Center 078-231-4898.

### Buses

#### Regular Route Buses

Bus destinations are indicated on the bus' windshield and next to the entrance door. Board the bus at the rear and get off at the front. Signal to the driver that you want to get off by pressing the stop button before you reach the bus stop. Some buses (many privately run buses) use tickets indicating the fare; these are, issued by a ticket-dispensing machine at the entrance door. Take a ticket and pay the fare indicated. Most buses have a single fare of ¥200 for adults and ¥100 for children (mostly on routes in the city center) (2 children under 6 years old can ride free with 1 adult). Outside of the single-fare area, fares vary according to distance. The exact fare should be put into the fare box as you get off the bus. If you need change, change ¥500 coins and ¥1,000 bills at the machine beside the fare box.

#### Mid- to long-distance Buses

There is mid-to long-distance bus service to Universal Studios Japan, Akashi Kaikyo Bridge and other main cities throughout Japan. Many of these buses require seat reservations, so please check sea

availability in advance.

### Taxis

Taxis can be used anywhere in the city. There are taxi stands in front of almost every railway station. To hail a taxi, simply signal for one by raising your hand. Japanese taxi doors open and close automatically.

Kobe Sightseeing Guide Taxi: 078-651-2233

### Ferries / High-Speed Ferry Services

Ferry services link Kobe with Shikoku (Takamatsu, Matsuyama, etc.) and Kyushu (Beppu, Oita, Shinmoji, Miyazaki, etc.). There are also ferries to Tianjin and Shanghai in China. Tickets can be bought at each ferry's boarding office.

#### ●Ferries & High-Speed Ferry Services

●Kobe-Kanku Bay Shuttle(Kaijo Access)

●Takamatsu (Jumbo Ferry)  
●Toyo, Niihama (Orange Ferry)  
●Inabari (Diamond Ferry)  
●Matsuyama (Diamond Ferry, Kansai Kisen)

●Shinmoji (Hankyu Ferry)  
●Beppu (Kansai Kisen)  
●Oita (Kansai Kisen, Diamond Ferry)

●Maruei Ferry  
●China Tianjin (China Express Line)  
●Shanghai (China Japan International Ferry)

#### Transport Services

### ●Railways

●JR West Japan Customer Center 0570-00-2486  
●Hanshin Railway Sannomiya Station 078-221-1254  
●Hankyu Railway Sannomiya Station 078-331-4802  
●Sanyo Electric Railway 078-612-2143  
●Kobe Electric Railway 078-582-5800

### ●Subway

●City Subway Sannomiya Station 078-392-3034  
●City Subway Sannomiya Hana Dokai Mae Station (Kaigan Line) 078-221-1337  
●Hokushin Express Railway 078-581-1076

### ●New Transport System

●Port Liner Sannomiya Station 078-251-2115  
●Rokko Liner Sumiyoshi Station 078-822-7231

### ●City Bus & City Subway

●City Bus & City Subway  
Passenger Service Corner 078-321-0484

### ●Main Mid-to / Long Distance Bus Services

●Nankai Bus 06-6643-1007  
●Kobe Ferry Bus 078-846-7300  
●Hankyu Bus 06-6886-3155  
●Minato Kanko Bus 0799-36-3081  
●Kobe Kotsu Shinko 078-651-8911  
●Chugoku JR Bus 0853-21-0537  
●Okayama Denki Kido 086-235-3455  
●Sanden Kotsu 0832-34-2929  
●Shinki Bus 078-231-4892  
●West Japan JR Bus 06-6466-9990  
●Hanshin Bus 078-241-9954  
●Sanyo Express Bus 078-796-3715  
●Nihon Kotsu Bus 06-6576-1181  
●Zentan Bus 078-392-2131  
●Nikkysu Bus 052-582-2901  
●Chugoku Bus 084-954-9700

### ●Ferries & High-Speed Ferry Services

●Kaijo Access 078-304-0033  
●Hankyu Ferry 078-857-1211  
●Diamond Ferry 078-857-9525  
●Orange Ferry (Shikoku Kaihatsu Ferry) 06-6612-1811  
●Kansai Kisen 078-391-6601  
●Jumbo Ferry 078-327-3111  
●Maruei Ferry 078-857-3901  
●China Express Line 078-321-5791  
●China Japan International Ferry 06-6536-6541 / 078-393-1478

### ●Kobe Airport

●Kobe Airport Terminal 078-304-7777

### ●Airline Companies

●Japan Airlines (JAL) 0120-25-5971  
●All Nippon Airlines (ANA) 0120-029-222  
●Skymark Airlines 078-304-0600

### Kobe Gaiyu Ken

(Kobe Sightseeing Ticket Booklet)

This ticket booklet allows entry to 59 sightseeing facilities in Kobe City. It can be purchased for ¥1,300 (actual value ¥1,500), saving you ¥200. (If 2 booklets are purchased at once, the total cost is ¥2,500) show the Kobe Gaiyu Ken booklet upon entrance to each facility. The clerk will tear out the required tickets from the booklet. Purchase at : Kobe City Information Center, Shin-Kobe Sta. Tourist Information Office, Kitano Tourist Information Office, Arima Onsen Tourist Information Office and certain hotels and inns in the city.  
Cost: ¥1,300 per booklet.



## A Profile of Kobe

1. Population --- 1,530,847 Males 725,780, Females 805,067 (Jan. 2008)
2. Number of households --- 660,251 (Jan. 2008)
3. Non-Japanese population --- 43,679/124 Countries (Jan. 2008)
4. Area --- 552.80km<sup>2</sup> (Jan. 2008)
5. Highest point (Mt. Rokko) --- 931.3 m
6. Climate  
Average temperature / 16.5°C (61.7°F) (1971 - 2005 average)  
High / 38.8°C (101.8°F) (Aug 1994) Low / -7.2°C (19°F) (Feb. 1981)  
Humidity 64% (average) Annual rainfall 1,264.7 ml (average)
7. Sister Cities  
Seattle (U.S.A.), Marseilles (France), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), Riga (Latvia), Brisbane (Australia), Barcelona (Spain), Tianjin (China), Friendship and Cooperation City: Philadelphia (U.S.A.)
8. Sister Ports  
Port of Seattle (U.S.A.), Port of Rotterdam (The Netherlands), Port of Tianjin (China)
9. Number of schools (May 2007)  
Nursery Schools 155 (22,469 children) / Elementary Schools 174 (81,993 pupils) / Junior High Schools 104 (42,445 students) / Senior High Schools 59 (42,353 students) / Colleges & Technical Colleges 8 (4,054 students) / Universities 20 (66,647 students) / Special-needs school 10 (1,090 students) / Vocational Schools & Colleges 78 (15,187 students)
10. International Schools 8 (number of students and children 2,542) (May 2007)
11. Number of overseas students 1,314 (79 countries and regions - Nov. 2007)
12. The origin of Kobe's name  
It is said that Kobe got its name from the ancient practice of tax payments to Shinto shrines. Three kinds of taxes were paid: "So" (tax paid with crops), "Yo" (tax paid by labor) and "Cho" (tax paid in kind). These taxes were shrines' means of support and maintenance and were called "Kanba". The kanji (Chinese characters) of "Kanba" (神戸) are the same as "Kobe".
13. City's symbols

(1) City symbol --- Port of Kobe Symbol, originally referred to as "Fan-Pin Symbol". Because of the fan-like shape created by the two parts of Kobe and Hyogo. This symbol also derives from the 7 character that appeared in the spelling of Kobe's former name 神戶. The symbol was created in May 1907 (Meiji 40).



- (2) City flower --- Hydrangea  
(3) City tree --- Sasanqua

### 14. Hyogo Prefecture

- (1) Population --- 2,615,240 male 2,679,039, female 2,916,201 (Jan. 2008)  
(2) Number of households --- 2,268,873 (Jan. 2008)  
(3) Area --- 8,393.6 km<sup>2</sup> (Jan. 2008)

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